



# BEAST WHO REPEATEDLY PED GII

Young victim was filmed during years of sexual abuse



**DEPRAVED:** Rapist Michael Tully

THIS is the man who subjected a young girl to years of appalling sexual abuse.

Michael Tully filmed his victim hanging from a ceiling to satisfy his perverted lusts, a court has been told.

Tully, 58, previously of Warren Close, Folkestone, has been sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment after admitting 30 sex offences - 29 against the same vulnerable girl.

Maidstone Crown Court on Friday heard a harrowing tale of degradation and torture as pervert Tully plunged the depths of depravity. He groomed the girl to perform sex acts over a three-year period. Tully

#### BY IAN READ

first indecently assaulted the girl when she was only 12 – the incidents all happened from 1994 to 1997.

He was caught after a row with his landlady, who subsequently found more than 80 obscene tapes filmed by Tully over the years.

In one film he is seen abusing the girl in the company of a man who has never been identified.

Deborah Charles, prosecuting, said Tully would pay the girl hush money. She is seen on the tapes pleading that he is hurting her. Detectives managed to trace the girl, CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

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# KCC leader 'spoke too soon on lorry park'

BY ROB LIVINGSTONE

A SENIOR figure in Kent County Council has admitted that KCC had jumped the gun by announcing its controversial plan to build a lorry park near the village of Sellindge.

Cllr Keith Ferrin, cabinet member for environment, highways and waste, told a packed meeting of Sellindge Parish Council that he had been on holiday when Cllr Carter announced the proposal to build the lorry park.

The scheme, which would see a 3,000-space lorry park built between Sellindge and Aldington, has infuriated campaigners, who are already enraged by a plan to build a recycling plant at nearby Otterpool Quarry. Cllr Ferrin said: "While I was away

on holiday the decision was taken to announce the plan for the lorry park. "Paul Carter forced the starting gun on this."

Cllr Ferrin was speaking at a spe cially convened meeting of the parish council on Tuesday last week about how to improve safety on the A20, which runs through the village. But he said he would answer ques-

tions about the application for a

recycling plant.

Some 140 people crammed into Sellindge village hall to hear Cllr Ferrin speak.

Roland Lello, chairman of the Sellindge Says No To Sludge cam-paign, accused KCC of colluding with the proposer of the planned recycling plant, Countrystyle Recycling.

"We will have fetid waste at one



TOO SOON: Council leader Paul Carter

end of the village - and what will be done with the waste that 7,000 men will make daily?

"Well, there is an anaerobic diges-tion plant at the other end of the vil-

"Will the council subsidise us for values that we will lose on our prop-

crities? Of course not."

Cllr Ferrin denied that the two projects were related.

"You can either believe me or not—

there is no collusion between the two

proposals in any way, shape or form." Cllr Ferrin told residents that he opposed the planning application for the recycling plant at Otterpool Quarry.

He said: "In my view it is in the

wrong place.

"They are going out to consultation if there is doubt about the applica-

tion, it will be refused."

Speaking after the meeting, Cllr Ferrin sought to clarify his remarks about Cllr Carter.

He said: "It was a factual statement, not a critical one.

"I was explaining how we had planned to release the news some time later than we did – it was earlier than we expected.

## Rapist is jailed after appalling attacks on girl

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now in her mid 20s, and the whole sickening saga came out.

The court was told the girl had reported the sex attacks to police when she was 17 but was advised to

get counselling.
Until the emergence of the tapes,

there was no evidence to back her story. The court was told the girl was systematically abused at houses owned by Tully in Balcombe Crescent, Margate;

Lympne, Tower Hamlets Road, Dover, and High Street, Cheriton.

Miss Charles said: "He asked her mother if the girl could come and do some cleaning for him and when she went creating for finit and when she went to his house there was sexual activity." Gradually the torture went on to include bondage and rape. Tully admitted six charges of gross

indecency with a child, nine rapes, two charges of taking indecent images, 11 indecent assaults and two serious sexual assaults.

Miss Charles said the girl was

filmed screaming and struggling against her bonds as she hung from

the ceiling when she was only 13.

Her mother had no idea what was going on because the girl felt too ashamed to tell her, the court was told.

In a further film, Tully got two other young girls to dance topless for him after paying them £100.

Ten further charges remain on file. Sentencing Tully to 12 years' jail, Judge Andrew Patience QC said he was horrified at the images he had seen.

He said: "You embarked on a course of conduct which was utterly horrifying. Over a three-year period you corrupted this young woman. The acts of sadistic violence amount to torture.

"You subjected her to cruelty, humiliation and degradation. It was my duty to view these films. Sufficient to say, I will never forget what I have seen done to that young girl.

"I shall always remember the images of a frightened young girl in a cellar. How anyone who calls himself a human being can treat a fellow human being in this way I don't know."

Judge Patience said the woman's

life had been ruined by what Tully had done to her because she lives in fear that copies of the videos will turn

up on the internet.

Tully will be not be able to apply for parole for six years, but Judge Patience told him not to hold out hope he would be released then.

Afterwards, Det Con Kay Sankey,

who led the investigation, said: "This was premeditated, sustained sexual abuse of a sadistic nature against a vulnerable young girl. She showed great courage and resilience throughout the investigation. We are delighted with the sentence."



# 'Get energised for new age of nuclear power'

#### BY **ROB LIVINGSTONE**

THE manager of Dungeness power station has warned that British energy supplies will be at risk if a new generation of nuclear reactors is not built.

Alan Oulton, who has been station manager of the plant since 2005, was speaking ahead of a public meeting about plans to build a third nuclear reactor at the site.

He was echoing a call from Business Secretary John Hutton for the nuclear industry to make Britain the "gateway to a new nuclear renaissance across Europe".

Mr Oulton said that Britain had to re-establish itself as a world leader in energy production.

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He said: "If we do nothing, as we have done in the past, and fail to push on the frontiers of development, then we will be left behind – we will have to rely on others."

Alternative power sources such as wind turbines and solar power would not be able to supply the UK with the energy needed for many years to come, said Mr Oulton.

Only a mixture of energy sources, which included nuclear power, would produce the supply needed.



**DECOMMISSIONED:** Station chief says Dungeness site is the ideal location for a new reactor

Mr Oulton said: "We have to be thinking what we are going be doing for the next 40 to 50 years to provide a secure energy source without being reliant on others."

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The Dungeness manager believes that his facility is ideally suited to house a new reactor.

He said: "It has the location, it has the room and it also has the right sort of socio-economic make-up for employment.
"It is not just building new nuclear

"It is not just building new nuclear power stations, it's about the manufacture side, jobs and education – there is a huge amount of infrastructure to be built out of this.

"What is important to us is that we

confirm our commitment to new nuclear build in the UK."

Mr Oulton said a survey by the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority into what should replace the oldest reactor at Dungeness found that opinion in Shepway was in favour of a new reactor at the power station.

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But Mr Oulton said that he was keen for a debate at the public meeting, which will be held at the Lydd War Memorial Institute on Wednesday April 16 at 6 30m at 10 m and 10 m at 1

Wednesday, April 16, at 6.30pm. He said: "While there is a lot of support, it is important we are open to allowing people to have a debate, should they feel they want to say something."



## DO YOU REMEMBER?

A device that records people's memories has been unveiled at Samphire Hoe.
The memory post has been installed as part of a joint effort between
Heritage Lottery and the White Cliffs Countryside Project to record the
reminiscences of the area's residents.

The history of the cliffs surrounding the Hoe is also detailed in the new display, from being the site of the first attempt to build the Channel Tunnel to the military defences built at the cliffs during World War Two.

Paul Holt, from the White Cliffs Countryside Project, was delighted to see the memory post in place. It is great to see the result of all the hard work of the volunteer rangers,' he said.

#### Bank disk drama

EUROPE'S largest bank has admitted a disk containing the personal details of 370,000 customers has been lost in the mail while on its way to Folkestone.

The disk went missing four weeks ago after it was sent unregistered from HSBC offices in Southampton to Swiss Reinsurance Co.

It contained customers' personal information, including names, dates of high and life incurrence cover levels

birth and life insurance cover levels.

The disk, which went missing four weeks ago, also contains details about the customers' smoking details.

A HSBC spokesman said: "There is nothing else that could compromise a customer and there is no reason to suppose the disk has fallen into the wrong hands."

"We are apologising to our customers

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# Howard expenses paid for council tax

MICHAEL HOWARD used parliamentary expenses to pay council tax bills for a second home in 2003-04, according to figures given to the BBC.

The Tory MP for Folkestone and Hythe also claimed expenses to pay mortgage interest, figures released to the BBC following Freedom of Information requests show. The most MPs could claim to run

The most MPs could claim to run a second home in 2003-04 – through their Additional Cost Allowance – was £20,902.

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Mr Howard claimed £20,347 for "additional costs", which cover food and provisions, phone bills, household repairs, cleaning, mortgages, council tax and utility bills, the BBC claimed.

Mr Howard told KOS Media: "The Additional Cost Allowance is a recognition of the fact that Members of Parliament have to work in two places and therefore have to have two homes.
"Every single claim I made is

"Every single claim I made is legitimate and was authenticated by the House authorities."

Breakdowns of expenses claimed by senior MPs were finally revealed on Friday after a lengthy battle with House of Commons authorities.

In 2005, the BBC requested details of 2003-04 expense claims made by MPs including Tony Blair, the Prime Minister at the time, former Tory leader Mr Howard, Gordon Brown, John Prescott and Charles Kennedy.

But the Commons claimed releasing the details could mean there was a security risk to MPs as their travel patterns would be revealed. However, the Information Commissioner Richard Thomas decided in January that the requests should be answered.

Of the six MPs whose "additional cost" details were given to the BBC on Friday, Mr Howard spent the most.

Mr Prescott was the next biggest claimant of the MPs, on £20,057. Mr Blair spent £15,490 and Mr Brown £14,304. Former Liberal Democrat leader Mr Kennedy's £12,869 additional costs claim all went on mortgage interest payments.

There is no suggestion any of the claims breach rules on MPs claiming expenses.



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#### **Driving ban for mum** who'd been drinking

WHEN Natalia Marques heard from a babysitter her son was ill she forgot she had been drinking and drove her car.

Marques, 32, of Sandwich Close, Folke-

stone, was almost three times over the limit when she was stopped by police on March 12. She admitted drink-driving at

Folkestone court. Gemma Webb, Gemma Webb, prosecuting, said Marques appeared distressed when she was stopped in Bouverie Road West.

Mark Trafford, defending, said she had booked into the Hotel Burstin, where she was drinking with friends and intending to stay, leaving her car in the car park.

He said: "She was called by the babysitter to say her son was ill and foolishly she took her car instead of calling for a cab. It was a kneejerk, foolish decision which she will have to live with."

She was banned for three years, given an 18-month supervision order to include 200 hours' work in the community and ordered to pay £60 costs.

#### Come along for summer fun on the white cliffs

A SUMMER events programme for the White Cliffs Countryside Project is available for lovers of the countryside and coast.

More than 300 events are included, with details of guided walks, cycle rides, fossil hunts and children's activities.

Information about volunteering projects, including beach-cleaning on the Dungeness peninsula and path-clearing and step repairs on the Folkestone Downs and Western Heights is also available.

A copy of the events programme can be obtained for free at www.whitecliffs countryside.org.uk or 01304 241806.



# **Even retired Gurkhas** continue to serve us

AS well as their distinguished military service for Queen and country members of the Gurkhas are also providing a massive boost to the local economy.

Many former members of the distinguished regiment have settled in Shepway after rules on them living in this country were relaxed a few years ago.

The ex-soldiers run restaurants, drive taxis and work in many other capacities, especially in Folkestone and Hythe – the two towns closest to their barracks at Shornecliffe.

Specially brewed Gurkha Beer is also on sale at several places in the towns and is gaining in popularity among discerning drinkers

Gokarna Chungbang is a former soldier with a very distinguished record of service overseas.

He now runs Everest Security, which provides protection for homes and businesses as

well as personalities.

Mr Chungbang retired as an honorary lieutenant in the 2nd Gurkha Rifles.

He said he started up his business as a way of

#### BY NICK AMES

expressing his thanks for the support of the British public - especially locally - for him and his former comrades-in-arms as they first fought to be allowed to stay in Britain.

Their campaign continues as the recent high profile protest at the Palace of Westminster

And the success of businesses such as Everest – whose employees are in the vast majority former Gurkhas – is a reminder to politicians of the contribution the Nepalese warriors turned businessmen make to Shepway's quality of life.

"I set this business up when I retired from the Army in 2004," said Mr Chungbang. "I had earlier bought property in Folkestone –

just because I like it here.

"So I decided to set up my own company. I'd worked as a security guard and felt I could run a company more efficiently than those who were employing me.

"Also I wanted to do something as a mark of respect for the people who had showed so much

sympathy for our campaign to be allowed to stay and settle in Britain.
"I thought what can I do for these people?

(UK residents) So I decided I would set up a service which protects their property and per-

Mr Chungbang said his company provides the traditional Gurkha values of loyalty and dedication to its clients.

"I use the experience and knowledge gained

in the armed forces," he said.
"It's something that comes from inside a soldier - an instinct for what is going on around

you.
"Then there is stamina – 12 hours of vigilance requires a special state of mind."

Mr Chungbang is pleased to see more and more former members of his regiment taking his path.

"I see ex-soldiers buying homes, bringing up their families here and taking part in the local community," he said.

"Even shopping locally adds to the local economy which I see as vibrant. Plus we all seem to agree this is a good place to live.'



# EXCELLENT

A vet's receptionist from Lydd has won a national award for her work at the practice

Margaret Gait, from Cinque Ports Veterinary Associates in Lydd, was named Vet Receptionist of the Year 2008 at the Petplan veterinary awards. The panel of judges said they were bowled over

by Margaret's commitment to her job: "It was her willingness to go the extra mile that made her stand apart from the rest; she is a hard-working, conscientious team player, who isn't afraid to get

Margaret said was thrilled to have won, she said: "I feel so proud that they think I am worthy of the award.

Margaret is pictured receiving her award from Ed Hall, president elect of the British Small Animal Veterinary Association (left) and comedian and compere for the evening, Michael Mcintyre.

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CALL MULDER AND SKULLY! Part of the mysterious collection of human bones at the crypt of St Leonard's Church

# Bones of a theory to explain town church's gruesome collection

THE crypt under the parish church in Hythe holds a particularly unusual surprise - the remains of some 4,000 men, women and children.

Writer and former Times editor Simon Jenkins christened the vaulted cellar "England's most celebrated and gruesome ossuary" – and it is open to the public during the summer, as well as providing source material for TV shows about oddities and academies recomplier a hybridegy and history.

demics researching physiology and history. Curator John Anderson says the exact ori-

gins of the bones are a mystery.

He said: "There are several theories, but none are definitive. What I can say is that we

have a very unusual collection here. "There are around 2,000 skulls and 8,000

thigh bones.
"Altogether, the remains of 4,000 people are stored here.

The bones are believed to have been moved into the crypt at some stage during the 13th century, while the church of St Leonard's can be dated at some 100 years older.

One of the most persistent legends says that the remains are those of Anglo-Saxon warriors who were killed in a battle which is believed to have taken place nearby in or around the year 450AD.

This view is given added support by stories that the existing church was built on a previ-

Sound art from

forces of nature

#### BY NICK AMES

ous Saxon building, which had a neighbouring burial site. Other historians agree the body parts were those of people killed in battle - but date them to a fight against Danish invaders 400 years later.

Some of the bones do indeed bear the mark of a violent death, including one with a clear sword slash across the skull.

But the most commonly held belief is the churchyard simply became full during the Middle Ages and, to accommodate the more recently deceased, bodies were exhumed and stored below ground in the cellar.

The main stack in the middle of the crypt appears to contain the first bones placed there.

The skulls which line the shelves were placed there in 1851 and at a later occasion

Some still contain fragments of hair and in many cases the teeth are in extremely good condition - as there was little sugar in the diet at the time and so they were less susceptible to decay.

Mr Anderson added: "This is a very unusual attraction for people to visit and we do get a fair number.

"We also had a bird once which came into the crypt and made a nest in one of the skulls." • For a video tour of the crypt, go to www.yourkenttv.co.uk

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Artist Max Eastley is fascinated by the way sound is created by moving forms and environmental forces such as wind and water.

His kinetic sound art is being featured at Folkestone's Metropole Galleries and it animates the room in an unusual way.

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#### **NEWS** IN BRIEF

### Romney railway puts on a daily service

THE Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch railway will running a daily service until October in response to a dismal Easter weekend.

The bank holiday should have seen crowds of visitors travelling the line to Dungeness enjoying the Romney Marsh scenery

But due to severe weather, which saw strong winds and icy rain batter Kent, passenger numbers were seriously reduced.

Danny Martin, the railway's general man-

ager, said: "Despite all the preparations we made for Easter and our staff turning out trains despite the bad weather, sadly cus-

tomers did not turn up in great numbers.
"However, we always take the view that being down about these things is never helpful, so we are introducing the new weekday

off-peak timetable."

Mr Martin added that the service on the line would now see a train leaving Hythe at 10.30pm every day, and services would stay longer at Dungeness to allow people to sample the peninsula's world-beating fish and chips.

#### Wi-fi network will put vou online across town

FOLKESTONE is to be one of the first towns

in the county to get a dedicated wi-fi network. Communication company Orbital Net will be deploying its WiMax wireless network towards the end of April, meaning that residents will be able to connect to the internet anywhere in the town.

The network will offer high-speed broadband packages to businesses in Folkestone and deals for consumers starting with connectivity at 2Mbit/s and above.

WiMax is already available in Ashford,

Canterbury, Maidstone and Thanet - for more information go to www.orbital.net

#### Head to the Quarterhouse for a new era of culture

FOLKESTONE'S new entertainment centre will be called the Quarterhouse.

The name of the entertainment venue, which will be opened in November, was announced by Chris Eubank, the director of the Creative Foundation, on Tuesday, April 1. He said: "Quarterhouse helps to describe the building's location – in the heart of the Creative

Quarter. It will make an important contribution to Folkestone's cultural life and will enable us to offer people from all parts of the community greater choice of events and entertainment."

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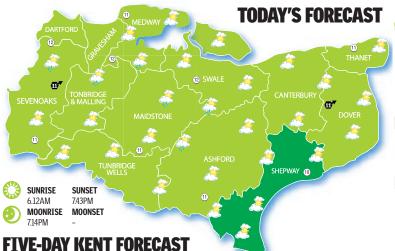
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<b>HIGH TIDES</b>

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	Sunday	5:17pm	5.5m
Dover	Saturday	2:48pm	6.4m
	Sunday	3:41pm	6.1m
Dungeness	Saturday	2:45pm	7.5m
	Sunday	3:33pm	7.0m
Ramsgate	Saturday	3:18pm	4.9m
	Sunday	4:11pm	4.7m
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## 999 pranksters are putting lives at risk

HOAX emergency calls are putting severe pressure on firefighters following the axing of Folkestone's third fire engine. Kent saw 904 hoax calls between 2006-2007,

raising concerns that crews are being prevented from attending life-threatening incidents.

Cllr Lynne Beaumont, leader of Shepway Liberal Democrats, said: "In Folkestone this is an urgent matter as we are now one appliance down – so if a fire crew is out on a hoax call and a major incident occurs people's lives will be at risk."

Cllr Beaumont said penalties for dialling 999 to report a false emergency, which can lead to a £5,000 fine or six months in prison, were severe enough, but there also needs to be more high-

profile legal actions against hoaxers.
"We need to see more prosecution of people who make these calls; they have to be made to understand what they are doing."

#### **Penalties**

The assistant director of community fire safety in Kent, Steve Griffiths, said that as well as wasting taxpayers' money, fake emer-

gency calls endangered life across the county. He said: 'Hoax calls waste firefighters' time and represent a huge drain on resources.' Mr Griffiths warned that pranksters could

face jail time because of their false calls.

"People might think that it is harmless fun,

but it is most certainly not."

"As well as placing lives in danger, a hoax call can have major repercussions for the individuals that make them – mobile phone disconnec-tion, heavy fines or even imprisonment." Cllr Beaumont said: "The penalties might appear high, but the consequences of a hoax

call mean that people can die.

"People must be made to understand that."
According to the Fire Service the average cost of responding to a false call is £1,970, meaning that £178,880 of valuable resources have been wasted over the course of the last two years.



## yourlocalinterview

#### **QUESTION** & ANSWER



#### Tell us a little about yourself

I was born in Lancashire but have lived in I was born in Lancasinie but have a Lyminge with my husband Tony for the last

Tony runs a veterinary practice in Folkestone, ironically enough I met my husband when I took my cat to the vets! It cost me a fortune

I have two children, Rachel and Jonathon, and a house full of cats and dogs, including a failed police dog, Alice the German shepherd.

I've spent much of my career in the education

I am a teacher by profession and taught English and business to post 16 stu-dents for 27 years before joining the authority some seven years ago.

#### What is the role of chair?

Time has flown and this is my third year as A chair. Each year I have to go through an election process

My role is quite diverse and very influential, so I can help make a difference. I could be meeting the Home Secretary one day, attending a counter terrorism briefing the next and then visiting a day care centre the day after - all equally important.

#### We have the Home Office and Kent police, so why do we need a police authority?

Someone has to hold the police force to account. Our job is to oversee Kent police as an independent body - almost like a police

watchdog but with more powers.

We have local representatives keeping an eye on each policing area. We monitor performance and hold the purse strings for the chief consta-ble. It's up to us to set the budget and police council tax, as well as setting priorities for the force.

At the end of the day it's our job to make sure that our police force is delivering a quality service that's value for money for the taxpayers of

#### If the authority claims to provide value for money for residents, then why did you increase police council tax?

A It's never easy putting up taxes and I hate to do it. There are 17 members on the authority and we looked at a range of options before deciding on an increase of £6 a year for a band D household.

It's very difficult as the chief constable comes to the authority with policing pressures and we have to balance this with the impact it will have on residents.

But we're not getting too bad a deal here in Kent and Medway. In fact we are one of the lowest paying counties for police council tax and it's interesting to realise that as individuals we pay less for our police than almost everyone in the country.

Setting a council tax that would take us just

to the national average would give us some-thing in the region of an extra £12million to spend on frontline policing, but it would mean a big percentage and we can't do that.

#### Any comment on the pay dispute?

I'm a member of the Police Negotiating Board, the body that tried to negotiate the pay deal and we were very disappointed that the pay increase was not backdated.

I actually went along to the London protest to offer my support to our Kent police officers.

They do an amazing job and I personally support their campaign in challenging the Home Office's decision

### If you weren't chair of Kent Police Authority what would you be doing?

If I had my time all over again I would be a

A criminal barrister, like my daughter.

I find the way people's minds work fascinating and I like to be one step ahead.

In my own time I love amateur dramatics, so I guess the role of taking on a persona and being on show all the time appeals.

Being the chair of the authority is similar too in terms of performing in a certain way.

I'm actually about to take part in a performance of 'Allo Allo' at Lyminge Village Hall from tonight until Saturday, a well-loved comedy and a great favourite of mine. Come along if you have the time - I promise that you'll really eniov it.

• If you would like to find out more about the authority or who your local representative is call 01622 677 055 or email: kpaenguiries@kent.pnn.police.uk

The chair of the Kent Police Authority took the time to talk to **Lauren Mumford** about the work of the independent body which oversees the county's police force and what she'd do if she had her time again











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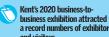




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# Site maps out the reasons behind safety cameras

#### BY NICK AMES

A WEBSITE showing the location of speed cameras on the county's roads has just been set up.

The Kent & Medway Safety Camera Partnership is running a new advertising campaign inviting the public to log on to www.kmscp.org, where they can see where every camera is – and find out the reasons for their invitallation. their installation.

The group says the drive – which will have information published in print as well as on TV and radio – is to show that cameras are there for safety reasons first and foremost.

Critics of the surveillance equipment have

frequently stated that the cameras act mainly as cash-generating devices to provide revenue for their operators – and have a negligible effect on road safety and accident prevention. Staff said that by listing the safety camera

sites motorists will be armed with the knowledge of where the cameras are operating giving them a chance to slow down and avoid a £60 fine and three points on their licence.
As well as the locations, the website lists the

speed limit the camera is enforcing, the type of camera being used and the casualty figures for the area – explaining why the camera was installed in the first place.

The site also explains how safety cameras work, the reasons they have been brought in and how many tickets have been issued to the



**EXPLAINED:** The site will give the reasons behind the locations of every speed camera in the county

motoring public. According to the partnership there has been a 58 per cent reduction in those killed or seriously injured at safety camera

sites since it was formed in July 2002
Rachel Wall, the partnership's communications manager, said: "The advertising campaign aims to raise awareness of our website, which holds a huge amount of information about safety cameras, including the location of

"The cameras are only installed where people have died or been seriously injured in a speed-related crash, and these crash statistics

can be viewed on our site.

"The cameras are not there to make money but to warn motorists that previous casualties have occurred on the section of the road that the camera is enforcing, and that the camera is a way of slowing traffic to ensure such tragedies are not repeated.

## **Puppy scam that** hurts your pocket

ANIMAL lovers have been warned to be

ANNIVAL lovers have been warned to be warry of a scam in which people hand over money for puppies that are never received.

Newspaper advertisements have appeared offering puppies for little or no money other than the cost of transportation by courier from places such as Scotland or Plymouth, say Kent police.

Anyone who answers the advertisement is asked to forward the courier costs via a money transfer service.

When the puppy has not been delivered and contact is made to the supplier via a mobile telephone, the person is asked to send additional funds to ship the animal by a "professional animal transportation com-

no matter how much money is sent, and regardless of promises made by the supplier, the animal is never received.

The transferred funds are collected with-

in hours of being sent and cashed overseas. Anyone who may have information regarding this type of crime can phone the investigating officers on 01622 654374.

#### **Dyke slates Blair and** 'autless' BBC bigwigs

FORMER BBC director general Greg Dyke blasted ex-Prime Minister Tony Blair dur-

ing a speech at the Kent 2020 exhibition.

More than 2,500 guests attended the county's biggest business event on Thursday at Kent County Showground at Detling Hill, Maidstone.

Many of them heard Mr Dyke, who was the keynote speaker, say it was four years since he had left the BBC following a controversial story about the need to go to war in Iraq because of alleged weapons of mass

destruction.

He said: "If I was still in charge of the BBC, I would have described the governors of the BBC as fine, upstanding people, but I can tell you most were hopeless, gutless bastards and the sooner the system is

changed the better.
"The evidence is quite clear that both the British and US governments grossly exag-gerated the case for war. The BBC story that led to my departure was right. We were right and they were wrong. We as journalists did our job, Tony Blair did not do his as we have expected of a prime minister. We as journalists told it as it was. He didn't."

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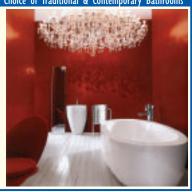
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# Campaign has hand in hygiene advance





#### BY PHIL REILLY

A NEW report has shown a rise in the number of hospital workers washing their hands just days after KOS Media launched a campaign to encourage hygiene.

The East Kent Hospitals Patient and Public Involvement Forum conducted an audit of people using alcohol hand-washing solution at the William Harvey, Kent and Canterbury and

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother hospitals. It took place on February 7, just four days after KOS Media launched its campaign to promote hand hygiene at home, work, hospitals and healthcare centres across the county.

Volunteers from the forum observed more than 1,500 doctors, nurses, patients, visitors and other staff, and found that more were using alcohol gel to keep their hands clean

than during a previous audit in October.

The audit found that 64 per cent of doctors, 67 per cent of nurses, 80 per cent of other health-care workers, 17 per cent of patients and 41 per cent of visitors were seen to use alcohol gel when entering or leaving wards.

The report's author, John Fletcher, said this was an improvement on the previous audit but said more should be done to make sure those entering hospitals washed their hands at the entrances.

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He also said that door cleaning should be a priority and insisted it was very important for staff who moved from ward to ward to clean their hands regularly.

Among the most common excuses made by those caught not cleaning their hands were "I forgot", "I didn't know" and "I am about to do it at the next ward".

Sarah Andrews, director of nursing and lead for infection control in Eastern and Coastal Kent NHS Trust, said she was delighted to see a rise in the number of people using the alcohol gel so soon after the launch of the campaign.

She said: "We hope this shows that this important campaign is having a positive effect on cleanliness in our hospitals and pub-

"The PPI Forum's report on their hygiene

audit is always very helpful. Hopefully when the next audit is done we will see a further rise in the number of people using the gel then we will be certain that the campaign is working.

"If anyone would like to help by displaying a poster they can contact our communications team on 01227 791166 who will be happy to

send one to them."

KOS Media's campaign, in partnership with the NHS, aims to raise awareness of the importance of hand hygiene in hospitals and help in the fight against superbugs

It follows devastating outbreaks of the superbug Clostridium difficile in west Kent,

which killed at least 90 people.

Industry watchdog the Healthcare Commission cited poor infection control as a major cause in a damning report last October.

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A FERRY GOOD CAUSE: Dame Kelly Holmes

## Kelly's onboard for Sport Relief

DOUBLE gold medal-winning athlete Dame Kelly Holmes joined forces with staff from the Norfolkline ferry service to raise money for Sport Relief.

Dame Kelly teamed up with seven crew members from the Maersk Delft ferry to take part in a group attempt to run 22 miles – the distance between the ports of Dover and Dunkirk –

while the luxury cruise-liner sailed that route.
The former Olympian, who supports Sport
Relief's aim of using sport to improve the lives of children living in poverty around the world, was able to complete the final mile on the treadmill set up in the main restaurant of the

Maersk Delft.

She said: "I think it is a great cause – it's nice when someone local tries to do something a bit different and quirky.

"Being on the treadmill was quite challenging itself, not only because it is running, but secondly because of the motion of the boat – I thought I was going to be thrown off at some stages!

"It probably showed that I need to do some more training."

Dame Kelly, from Hildenborough, said that

she had enjoyed being part of a team again. "It was great to have the camaraderie of a group of people running to raise money for a good cause —it was good fun."

The money raised by Dame Kelly and the other runners was matched by Norfolkline —

leading to £5,000 being raised.
• For footage of Dame Kelly on the ferry,

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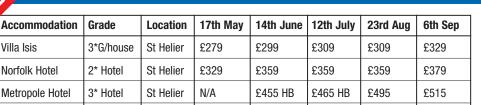
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#### **BREAK TIME**

## May Day dance to honour the life of tragic young Paige

PUPILS from the Churchill School in Hawkinge will be celebrating the life of their classmate Paige Brown by holding a May Day dance.

The dance, at 10.30am on Wednesday, May 7, will also see the unveiling of a memorial to Paige, who died so tragically

on New Year's Day.

The whole school will attend, along with Paige's parents, Phil and Lou.

The memorial will take the form of a

maypole and be marked by a plaque reading "Paige Louise Brown 1.8.03-1.1.08. In memory of a little girl who loves to dress up as a princess and dence"

#### **Experiencing life** in wartime Britain

STUDENTS from St Martin's C of E primary school have visited Dover Museum to learn more about World War Two.

The pupils were taking part in the World War Two Festival, which saw them dressing up in authentic 1940s styles and attending a series of workshops over

The children took part in an art work-shop which taught them how to "make and mend" and had their hair styled in the fashions of the time by students from

South Kent College.

The pupils also learnt about life in the war for schoolchildren as part of a drama workshop looking at evacuees.

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# New chapter opens in lives of our young

#### BY ROB LIVINGSTONE

PUPILS at a school in Folkestone have been the first children in the county to hear the opening chapter of a new series of books about the history of the county.

The Mundella primary school children listened as the chief executive of Kent County Council, Peter Gilroy, read the opening chapter from the Shepway version of The Kent Story, which has been produced to mark the nation-

al year of reading.
At present the book consists of an opening chapter written by KCC leader Paul Carter, but it is intended that students from across Kent will produce 12 different editions for each district of the county, allowing children to take an active role in creating their own Kent

Mr Gilroy said that the project had been designed to appeal to children's imaginations, and that no one at KCC had any idea how the

story would turn out.
"Who knows where the story will go?" he

said.
"I think that the experience is an end in itself - the story is just part of one's imagination.

Mr Gilroy said he was sure that the pupils from Mundella primary school would be equal to the task ahead of them.

"We may have some budding authors here – let's hope we do."

The project was intended to develop an interest in both Kent's recent history and in the joy of reading by encouraging them to feel a part of the story, said Mr Gilroy. "If we can get youngsters into reading at a



WELL READ: Peter Gilroy, chief executive of Kent County Council, reads to children from Mundella primary school

very young age, then we can get the parents interested in reading," said Mr Gilroy.

"I would love to see the children being able to read before they even come to school – that is going to make a major difference to their lives."

"If they can see it as fun, that it is an enjoyable experience, then their self-worth is going to improve as a result of it, and that is good for the county and it is certainly good for the coun-

Mr Gilroy said he was looking forward to visiting the school again to hear what the

children had come up with. It is expected that the books will be finished in time for Christmas. Once they have been published, copies will be held in public libraries across Kent.



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# Running off at the mouth about London Marathon

IT'S coming up to that time of year again... when do-gooders decide to tramp the streets of London and make the rest of us feel bad as we watch from the sofa recovering from a skinful of lager and a dodgy chicken balti from the night before.

Yes, April 13 is London Marathon day. Don't get me wrong. I think it is admirable that people want to run their legs off in the aid of charity. Good luck to them if they want to challenge themselves and their bodies to the ultimate in athletic endeavour. However, I could do without all the razzamatazz that comes with the event. All those wacky costumes make me reach for the remote. I would rather watch 24 hours of Last Of The Summer Wine (or UKTV Gold as it's otherwise known) than that.

Every year the BBC seems obliged to cover the marathon. You can see the desperation on the face of that wee Scottish gnome, Hazel Irvine, as she desperately accosts some numpty in a Kiss Me Quick hat, diving flippers and a sponge model of a kangaroo on his back.

You can tell she is praying he can manage to string together a few words. "My mates all think I'm mad," they usually say. Yes, mad, and if he actually has real friends they probably all hope he will end up in the bottom of Victoria Dock – running with the fishes.

I mean, a sport can't be that interesting when the highlight is watching a woman urinate by the side of the road, as happened to Paula Radcliffe a few years ago.

Perhaps even worse is the desperate need to catch one of the celebs as they run by. Because we all know that they are the only really interesting entrants, not Alan from St Albans running for Cancer Research. No, it's vital that we hear what Gordon Ramsay has to spout about from his lumpy face, or that bloke from EastEnders who works in the café.

My hate of the marathon has less to do with the event itself rather than what the people are actually doing. I mean, running, it's not really a sport – it's just an extension of an everyday need to be mobile. Let's face it, over the millen nia, man has tried very hard to do everything he possibly can to avoid running... getting on a horse or a camel or devising the wheel and peddling a bike; even inventing the internal combustion engine. There is a deep-seated need in the human psyche to avoid running.

I hate it. When I was at school and we had to do cross-country runs I would do anything to avoid it. Even resort to self-harm. By a strange quirk of fate (or more probably because I always had my fingers stuck up it), I could make my nose bleed at will. "Sorry, sir, I can't do the run not in this condition." Of course I almost died of anaemia by the end of term, but it was worth it.

Actually, the reason I really hate the marathon is that I know I haven't got the guts to do it myself, but I'm quite happy to give someone else 10 quid to do it for me.

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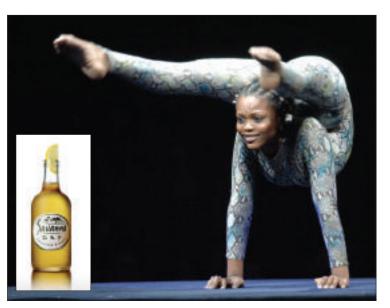
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Question: Which one of the following acts does not appear in AFRIKA!AFRIKA!

A. Footballers

**B.** Acrobats

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#### **TALK TIME**

#### DAN **BURROWS**

Dan Burrows is a member of House of Aces, an illustration collective. The three members seek to explore unexpected illustration and get their fingers inky...



Tell us a bit about yourself

From an early age I've always had to be doing something creative. If I wasn't drawing, sewing, or making music, I'd quickly get restless and agitated, and it's the same today. At 15 I moved from Kowloon, Hong Kong, to Margate

and it was a huge culture shock. It took me years to adjust from the fast-paced, visually overwhelming lifestyle, but it's definitely left its mark and helped me develop a Strong sense of visual awareness and creativity.

After my A-levels I went on to an Art Foundation at

KIAD Canterbury (now UCCA), then went to complete

BA illustration and then an HND graphic design. I've recently moved to Folkestone and joined the Kent-based illustration collective House of Aces, which was set up by two friends I'd met while studying my Art Foundation.

How does it feel to be reunited with your alumni? It's quite surprising. We were good friends and then after completing our Foundation year we all went our separate ways. Vicky went to Falmouth, Louise to Bournemouth and I went on to study at KIAD Maidstone. So now, three years since graduation, to meet up and find out that we'd all taken such similar paths, as well as returning back to our home county, is great.

How do you intend the collective to develop?

The original purpose was to come together and share ideas, as well as to put on shows. The last exhibition any of us had been involved in was during our degrees. So the opportunity to regularly show our work in galleries, rather than having it emailed to a client and then that being the last of it, is really refreshing. Hopefully, we can get more illustrators involved and show our work further afield. In the near future we're hoping to publish a House of Aces fanzine as well as expanding the website, with a daily-updated blog.

#### **YOUR LETTERS**

#### **Finance solution** to Stack problem

Finance for Stack parking in Kent should be funded by private finance, not through Government involvement or by us local taxpayers. Kent County Council, along with Shepway and Dover district councils, would jointly own the site.

I propose that the site facilities should cost £15 for a 24-hour period and should include on-site security, toilets, showers and a laundry, a large food hall and café, as well as a petrol station, garage, phone and net facilities and medical centre (for when the French are on strike).

All of the facilities could be leased out, generating funds for Kent. The parking would operate 24 hours a day, seven days a

week, 365 days a year.
Anyone would be able to use the site, except when there is a strike in place.

There would also need to be two additional parks – one built at Westwood, to serve the towns of Ramsgate, Margate, Herne Bay, Whitstable and Gravesend; and the other at Tilbury to cover the River Medway, Woolwich, Dartford, Grays and Greenwich

If the French government will not stop strikers blocking the ferry ports and the Tunnel, and continue not to pay compensation to our drivers, police and ferry operators, then we must adopt

similar tactics.
All French transport should be banned from using the Tunnel and the ferries. If they use the French ferries they should not be allowed to dock at Dover or any other Kent port. I think that the French government would soon pay up to KCC, who will then pay out compensation.

### **LETTER OF THE WEEK**



## Lorry park: how nature loses out

The other day I went to have a look at the site of the proposed lorry park at Aldington, which we have been assured by county councillor Keith Ferrin and others is a brownfield site and of little significance from an environmental point of view.

I was expecting to see an area perhaps part-tarmacced and maybe some

uncultivated, sprayed-off set-aside land, but what I actually saw was a DEFRA-funded farm nature reserve managed to very good standards. I worked as a countryside ranger for several years and hold an HND in countryside management – I would be happy to hang a nature reserve sign on the gates of this site. Effectively, however, DEFRA has already done this, according to the conservation maps by the footpaths.

I urge anyone with an interest in this issue to go and have a look for themselves: footpaths are well maintained, enabling easy access to the woodland in the middle of the site, which is a carpet of bluebells and other traditional woodland flowers.

There is a fantastic wetland area on the lower edge of the site (where I was lucky enough to spot a kingfisher, a protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981). It contains two small lakes managed for fishing and habitat for breeding lapwings (as I was informed by the DEFRA-funded notice-board).

The open farmland is sensitively managed with wide, uncultivated headlands

providing a good habitat for a large variety of flowers and insects.

A comprehensive habitat survey is needed immediately to note all of the species

which would be lost here if this short-sighted, lunatic idea goes ahead. Who do KCC think they are trying to kid when they try to describe this site as

valueless? The countryside in this small island is valuable, and the proposed site for the lorry park contains a mosaic of habitats and species which demand protection,

All foreign vehicles would have a quick check over at the Tunnel and the ports. Checks would also be carried out to see if they had

valid insurance. Any vehicles that fail would be escorted to the Stack parking site and charged the full price.

As with the French, we would also charge all foreigners to use our roads on arrival, say £30 per lorry and bus and £12 for cars and motorbikes. These funds, along with the spot fines for speeding, will also go into KCC parking funds.

KCC, with Shepway and Dover, would need to set up a special banking account for all these fees

coming in.

Profits from these funds, after expenses incurred, can go to us all - by having the lowest council tax, getting rid of charges for waste disposal, along with helping many other projects that are desperate for funds.

Each town and city could have the finest facilities available for our youngsters – clubs and workshops so that they are not roaming, drinking and causing trouble on our streets.

What do readers think?

RI Parfitt

#### **Recognised for** a job well done

It was good to read that Geoffrey Barker, one of the Bevin Boys, was among those recognised for their contribution to the war effort more than 60 years ago.

Working down a coal-mine might not have the more obvious impact of being a serving member of the military, but the job is just as vital.

So well done, Geoffrey, and others like him

**Margaret Taylor** 

#### **History preserved** by charity fund

Regarding the story last week about Hawkinge and its bid for

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recognition for the part the village played in the Battle of Britain — maybe a few thousand from the proposed charity concert could be handed over to the local museum to help fund its upkeep.

Graham Hamilton Folkestone

## Oil agree with RSPB on wildlife

Well done the RSPB for calling on the Government to do more to protect our native birdlife which inhabits coastal areas.

Wildlife is an important part of our natural heritage and far more should be done to recognise this fact.

It is especially important in busy shipping lanes where discharges of oil can have a devastating effect on local bird populations.

Mary Whittaker

## Discover ways to help beat cancer

Despite the recent news coverage about the link between lifestyle and cancer, research shows there is still a lack of awareness about how we can make positive choices to reduce our cancer risk.

For example, only half of people are aware that being overweight increases cancer risk and less than a third know that eating processed meat is a cause of cancer.

I am writing to let readers know that choosing a healthy lifestyle can make a real difference to the risk of developing cancer. In fact, scientists estimate that

In fact, scientists estimate that about a third of cancers could be prevented just through healthy eating, regular physical activity and being a healthy weight.

If people want to find out more, they can download our publications at www.wcrf-uk.org/publications, or phone 020 7343 4205 and ask for information to be sent to them.

Lisa Cooney World Cancer Research Fund

## Chambers is only light in nightlife

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Mind you, some competition to it would be good, too!

Bryan Carter Folkestone

## Blocking the A20 is not the answer

It's all very well for residents of Sellindge to be annoyed at proposals which affect them, such as the proposed lorry park – but blocking

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the A20 really is not the answer.

All they will do is just alienate motorists who have had enough of delays caused by anything at all.

Jonathan Miles

## Why not leave the wild boar alone?

The issue of what to do with the country's growing population of wild boar is an interesting one – but maybe DEFRA, farmers, landowners and so on could adopt a novel approach.

Just leave them alone. There you are – simple, isn't it!

They do not seem to pose a real threat and they certainly add to the interest and atmosphere of woodlands.

So rather than talk about culling them – just leave them in peace. Sometimes the best option really is to do nothing at all.

Richard Parslow Hythe

#### Piping up about Dr Who character

Can I be the first to voice my displeasure at the role Catherine Tate plays in the new Dr Who series?

series? With her hammy acting, annoying laugh and whingeing she manages to spoil what is an otherwise excellent show.

So get lost, Catherine – bring back Billie Piper!

Jake Palmer Dover

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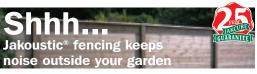
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BONNY: Dancers in The Big Ballet have to be a minimum of 17 stone in weight - this is strictly monitored with monthly health checks

THE BIG BALLET Sunday, April 27 Hazlitt Theatre Maidstone



EXPERIENCE something very different from the world of dance when The Big Ballet arrives in Kent.

Gone are the narrow, skinny dancers who usually grace the stage – no member of The Big Ballet weighs less than 17 stone. In fact, maintaining their weight is a requirement of the role and Tatyana Gladkih was recently suspended for dropping below 220 pounds.

After being excluded from pre-tour training for two weeks, she got back up to the optimum weight and was allowed to rejoin the company.

allowed to rejoin the company.
Part of the Evgenii Panfilov Russian State Ballet, the group was formed back in 1994. It is based in Russia's Ural mountains, the 2,500km-long region which also produced musical geniuses Tchaikovsky and Diaghilev.

and Diaghilev.

Influential choreographer Panfilov wanted to help larger dance lovers challenge social boundaries and take their place on the stage, exploding the more established idea of what ballerinas should look like.

Originally he auditioned women weighing at least 12 stone, but as the company's popularity grew, competition for the coveted places became fierce. So he introduced a minimum weight of 17 stone and the 16 current dancers are weighed at their monthly medical checks.

ly medical checks.

Many of those who auditioned for the company were ordinary women who had low self-esteem and were fed up with taunts about their size.

Determined to indulge their love of dance, they seized the opportunity to work with Panfilov. He took these novice dancers and gave them the skills and confidence to become professional dancers, who have astonished audiences all over the world with their grace, passion, fitness and stamina.

Affectionately dubbed 'the sugar plump fairies', these amazing dancers have attracted a loyal follow-

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ing. The spring UK tour sees the company performing on a black box stage in custom-made costumes, parodying popular classical ballets. They also step up the pace with more contemporary music, such as hits by Robbie Williams and Tom Jones.

The Big Ballet appeared on the Trisha Goddard TV show on Channel Five while on tour last year and are expected to be making some television appearances during their spring tour.

Organisers are convinced audiences will be stunned by the grace and nimbleness of these largerbodied performers and it is hoped that other people who are worried about their weight will be inspired to follow their dreams.

Performing with the Fighting Club Dance Company, The Big Ballet will produce a 'smashing cocktail' of hits and take the audience into a fantasy from the land of sultans, harems and luxurious palaces.

The performances start at 2.30pm and 7.30pm. Tickets cost £17.50/£16.50. Phone the box office on 01622 758611, or alternatively book online at www.hazlitttheatre.co.uk.

The Big Ballet will also be at The Orchard Theatre in Dartford on Monday, April 28.



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PUT on your dancing shoes and revisit the glory days of great British music with The Solid Silver 60s Show.

Some of the decade's most revered acts will be performing tonight, including the record-setting Gerry & The Pacemakers, pictured.

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Completing the line-up is the band behind Hold Tight and Legend of Xanadu – the unforgettable Dave Dee, Dozy, Beaky, Mick and Tich. The concert starts at 8pm

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Tours run on Saturday evenings until May 31 (except May 3 and 26). Tickets cost £14 for adults or £10 for children and English Heritage members. Booking is essential, call 01304 211067.

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Saturday, April 19 Astor Theatre Arts Centre, Deal

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Silverstein, Jorma Kauk-onnen and Bobby Bare. As well as being the lead guitarist with The Strawbs for 25 years, Willoughby has played for Mary Hopkin, Roger Whittaker, Joe Brown, Jim Diamond and Monty

Python. They have both worked with international folk star Nanci Griffith.

Together they create an intimate atmosphere in which to perform their expertly crafted songs about life experience and tell

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## yourmusic

# Lounge on the Farm and hear great bands

#### BY SIMON ROBINSON

THE line-up for this year's Lounge on the Farm festival is taking shape, with seven more top acts adding their name to the bill.

Isle of Wight rockers The Bees are arguably the pick of the bunch, returning to the Merton Farm three-dayer after performing a rip-roaring set in The Cow Shed last year.

The Mercury Prize-nominated band, most famed for their summer smash hit A Minha Menina, will be joined by Lightspeed Champion, Findlay Brown, The Shortwave Set, The Bookhouse Boys and DJ slots by Cagedbaby and Filthy Dukes. The seven will be placed snugly in the festival's already bulging line-up, which boasts Art Brut, Black Kids, Holly Golightly and Billy Childish.

A Lounge spokesman promised further acts would be added to the bill in the coming weeks and said: "With some exciting further line up announcements to come, Lounge On The Farm gives local acts the opportunity to play alongside some genuine heavy hitters.

side some genuine heavy hitters.
"Aside from the music, there will be plenty of amazing attractions including The Village Green that boasts specially brewed ciders and beers and mouth-watering food concessions where all the goods are sourced from within a 20-mile radius of the site.

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"There will also be the Little Lounge and Red Tent to keep the younger crowd occupied and the School Of Rock that will be unearthing Kent's future stars."

The festival runs from Friday, July 11 to Sunday 13.

Early bird weekend tickets cost £65 for an



**SIGNED UP:** The Bees (above) and Lightspeed Champion are among the latest list of names set to play on the farm

adult, £35 for a child and £140 for a family, based on two adults and two children. Full weekend prices are set at £85 for adults, £40 for children and £180 for families. A day pass will cost an adult £35 and a child £20. Children under five go free.

For more information visit www.loungeon thefarm.co.uk

• The line-up so far: Lightspeed Champion, The Bees, Art Brut, Black Kids, Jon Carter, Dub Pistols Sound System, Sargasso Trio, Pete Molinari, Kevin Rowland (DJ Set) Aba Shanti Sound System, Sonny J, Kitty Daisy & Lewis, Holly Golightly & The Broke Offs, Underground Heroes, Guy Williams, Bones, Billy Childish, The Shortwave Set, Bookhouse Boy, Findlay Brown, The Filthy Dukes (DJ Set), Caged Baby (DJ Set).



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Hi, I'm Sue, 48, 5'2', dark hair/eyes, divorced, hard-working, WLTM compat-ible male, stocky build, for good times, possibly LTR. Box 432992 **⊕** DIG DEEPER

DIG DEEPER
Genuine, friendly female, 49, likes
walks, gardening, nights in/out, seeking
genuine, friendly male, 45-55. Dover
Box 435441 €
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SHE'S THE ONE!
Young-at-heart female, 48, medium build, 5ff2, dark hair, blue eyes, GSOH, build, 5ff2, dark hair, blue eyes, GSOH, seeks someone with similar interests Box 45098 ©
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Lovely female, 49, divorced, 5ft, shoul-der-length blonde hair, green eyes, size of the country, seeking, LTR with similar models of the country seeking seeking the country seeking seek

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GSOH, enjoys walking, countryside,
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loving, Dsx 438646 SI
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Hello, 49yr old female, 5ft3, blonde, nervous! outgoing, love music, socialis-ing, simple things in life, seeking a male to look after and settle down with. Box 436633 

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ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK
Loving, lively, cuddly female, 50, 5ft4,
loves rock music, walking, films, WLT1
easygoing male for uncomplicated relationship, good times. Box 894299 
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WHITSTABLE WONDERLAND

Hi, I'm Yvette, 50, separated, blonde hair/blue eyes, size 12, 5'2", likes cinema, meals and drinks out, reading, walks, looking for male, 40-60, for relationship.

walks, looking for male, 40-60, for relationship. Box 420160 ©
PUTTER IN YOUR HANDS!
Sporty female, 50, Hastings-based, 56°; blonde/blue, enjoys golf, walking, socialising, eating invol. WILTM fur-loving, kind, sporty male, 48-60, 5°10°+, to share life, Box 165367 ©
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Lively female, 26, 5ft2, brown hair, green eyes, size 10, single mum, enjoys most things, seeks genuine, laid-back guy, for fun, friendship and more. Box 428555 **®**BOOOYAKASHA!!

nearly 30, bored of Fun, flirty female, nearly 30, pored 5. being single, seeking someone to take me out and show me a good time, petite with dark hair. Box 895349 1

CANTERBURY TALE
Single mum of 2, 32, would like to meet
someone kind, caring and considerate,
for nights in/out and cinema. Box

tor nights in/out and cinema. Box 406670 ©

THE TALL GUY?

2'-year-old kind, warm female, 5'6", cuddly build, love walking my dog, cosy nights in, evenings out, WLTM tall, honest, trustworthy male, for friendship.

Box 430993 ©

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dancing, days out. Box 431559 9
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Divorced, lively mum, 35, GSOH, I enjoy time with my family and friends cinema, good food, beach walks, se male for honesty, love and romance. Box 813930 @ @

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NICE SMILE??? Single 36yr old female, like most things in life, very loving and caring, 5'5", cud-dly build, good personality, seeking a gentle, considerate man. Box 431286

gentle, considerate man. Box 431286

THE GENTLE LADY

Easygoing female with GSOH, 36, enjoys many things - going out, staying in, seeking a nice, genuine guy for lots of love and laughter. Box 437913

ON THE WINGS OF LOVE

Tall outgoing lady, 43, large build, newly settled in Kent, needs to spread her wings and meet a nice chapt Let's chall Box 895908 € €

TAKE A CHAMCE!

Hard-working female, 41, 54\*, bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with firends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box

NICE AND LOVING.

things with. Box 429682 **①**NO GAME PLAYERS!

DON'T PASS ME BY
Cute, single mum of 4, 38yrs old, Kent
based, into most things, looking for
friendship or possibly romance. Box
897983 @
GET IT TOGETHER
Kind, caring, sprintual lady, 39, 5'4",
average build, hazel puppy-dog eyes,
brown hair, looking for genuine, honest
guy, non-smoker, friendship first. Box
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relationship. Box 901893 **②**OH MANDY
Mandy, 38, lovely brunette, petite, slim, very tactile, bubbly, professional mum, WLTM honest, romantic N/S man. Box 432639 **②**THE WONDER OF YOU

38yr old single mum, slim, long hair, love rock music, concerts, bikes, in need of attention, love and respect.

Box 897114 THE WIT TO WOO!

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and more. Box 152862 ()
RECIPE FOR ROMANCE

Honest lady, 40, slim, like walks, cinema, looking for nice man to share quality times and cuddles. Box 437940 
NO REGRETS

Decent 36yr old female, medium build, fair hair, 5%", likes cinema, eating & having fun, seeks like-minded male, 36-40, for friendship first. Box 739664

ACTIVE ANGEL
Hi, I'm a fun-loving woman early 40,
5'17, curry, enjoy eating out and cooking to walking, looking for man for happiness. Box 894398 TOIN ME BABY

Fun-loving, vivacious woman, 41, 5ft1, enjoys dining out, walking, cinema, looking for a confident man with GSOH, INS for friendship, maybe more. Box 96889 © ROUND TWO

ROUND TWO
41yr old female, separated with 3 children, medium build, dark hair, seeking a male to share life with again who enjoys socialising, cinema, music and holidays! Box 437639 ©
YOU'LL SMILE IF YOU DIAL

Bubbly 40yr old female, enjoys beach-es, pubs, clubs, WLTM a like-minded, caring male to share fun times with. Box 495102 \*\*

FOREVER YOURS
I'm Caroline, 42, single mum, likes hav-

I'm Caroline, 42, single mum, likes ha ing fun, eating out, wine bars, swimming, looking for someone for something meaningful. Box 430952 **①**STRIKE OR SPARE!

STRIKE OR SPARE!
42-year-old female, 5ft7, slim, down-toearth, normall love bowling, cinema,
clubs, seeking a male, 40-55, for
friendship and more! Box 436163

YOUNG & YUMMY

Mum of two, 42, 5ft4, blonde hair,
brown eyes, medium build, loves eating
out, staying in, holidays, seeking male
37-45 with similar interests for love.

37-45 with similar interests for reveal Box 438349 **@**ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE

The leading affectionate brunette, 43, ATI HACTIVE BRUNETIE
Fun-loving, affectionate brunette, 43, size 12. N/S, separated amicably with 2 tovely kids, enjoys keeping fit. Seeks good-looking, slim, fit, romantic male.
Box 314378 © COMPLETE
Bubbly female, 41, 52°, N/S, enjoys pubs, restaurants, cinema, GSOH, interior design, seeks like minded, fun

male for good times. Box 822703 ①
ON THE WINGS OF LOVE

NICE AND LOVING

44yr old female, 55°, brown hair,
slim/medium build, enjoys pubs, clubs,
if you are out here, give me a ringl
Maidstone Box 413448 ①

17'S WHAT YOU MAKE OF IT!
44yr old female, blonde hair, 5ffs, slim,
easypoing, enjoy many things in life,
looking for someone similar out there to
enino life with Box 49810 Box 49810 Box

enjoy life with! Box 436810 ①
READ ALL ABOUT IT READ ALL ABOUT IT
Petite, sincere woman, 44, wavy
blonde hair, blue eyes, size 10, loves
beach walks, animals, DIY, swimming,
travelling, WLTM N/S man to share

NO GAME PLAYERS! Female, 46, seeks honest, warm, sin-cere, intelligent, and good-looking male with no hang-ups about kids for friend-ship and hoping for more. Box 156956

Ship and hoping for more. Dox 1990
ON A PLATE
Caring, honest 46yr old female, 5'2', eyes of blue, redhead. Likes cinema, theatre, walking, WLTM male for fun and friendship. Box 989528 and friendship. Box 895 DON'T PASS ME BY

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car, enjoy cinema, eating out, drinks,
looking for companionship and friendship, 80x 419966 ©
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Sincere female, 57, caring, separated, I enjoy nights in/out, reading, walking, various activities, just separated for a friend and the see from there! Box

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LIKES THE NICE THINGS IN LIFE
Divorced female, 50s, 5ft4, own home, great job and friends, likes to keep fit, hobbies include shopping, cooking, dining out, theatre-Conema, holidays, seeking friendship... Box 434901 €

THE CAT THAT
GETS THE CREAM
HIT Maddie, 35, 5ft6, blue eyes, fur-

Hi I'm Jackie, 58, 5ff6, blue eyes, fun-loving, down-to-earth and considerate love horses, seeking male 58-65 who loves music and animals to be my

soulmate! Box 436328 1 I'M JUST LIKE BAGPUSS! I'm 59, smoke/drink and ride a motor-bike but I'm intelligent, sensitive, carin and loving, with GSOH and many friends, but still looking for someone special. Box 893919 ♥ PUT SPARK INTO LIFE Happy, contented solvent lady, 59, NS, living in the country near Hythe, seeks gentleman of similar disposition and maans. Box 897829 ♥

and means. Box 897822 🕡 🖸

Solvent, cuddly female, 59, 5'1", love the countryside, foreign travel, seeks happy, solvent male, 50s-62, for affection and TLC. Box 394179 
PERHAPS A COFFEE?

londe, smart 61yr old lively, divorcee, blonde, smart, medium build, WLTM gentleman to be knight in shining armour. Box 439019 •



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THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT Widowed woman, 61, no ties, positive outlook, kind nature with GSOH, like the usual things and would like to find a male counterpart. Box 431210

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a male counterpart. Box 43/12/10
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likes dancing, walks, eating in/out. I'm
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H, I'm Maggie, a sociable Sagittarian, buxom, 52-year-old brunette, like music, dancing, eating out, seeking like-minded, buxom temale, 40-55, for fun and more. Box 435191 **©** 

friends

STRIKE!!
Richard, 43, single, dark hair, blue eyes, 5ft6, loves theatre/music, holi-days, travel, bowling, WLTM female 34-56 to share good times and hopefully find love with. Box 438832 ①

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25-48 for romance. Box 455737 © ©
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Hemale for friendship and more.

Ashford Box 429872 ♀ ♀

SECURITY AND WARMTH
I'm 35, 6ft, have a beautiful little given you honest, caring, looking for so one I can love and trust and make new life with. Box 898178 ♀ ♀

LET'S ENJOY LIFE

SOMEONE TO LOVE
Good-looking male, 47, VGSOH, medium build, varied interests, looking for friendship and love with honest, easy-going female with GSOH, kids not a problem BOX 808446 \$\infty\$

ALL IN GOOD TIME

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THE BEST MEDICINE

In 48, and looking for some fur and laughter again, I enjoy swimming and eating, music and film, want to make that special lady happy. Box 895088 

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HI, I'm Reg, 49, 5'10' tall, medium
build, N/S, a professional gentleman, I
enjoy golf, fishing and walking my dog,
WLTM lady for genuine relationship.
Box 917834 

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divorced but young at heart and hopefully in looks. I enjoy eating out, cooking, pubs and theatre. Box 983915 

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Styr old male, 6lt, short hair, I love the
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conversation/more. Box 4371486 

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LET'S ENJOY LIFE
36yr old male, 51110, dark features, hair and eyes, loves cinema, eating out, motorsport, works full time, WLTM similar lady to enjoy going out and being together with Box 437441 ① ②
THANKS FOR LOOKING!
Adventurous male 36 5 5 6 7 7 7 8 Hi, I'm a caring, considerate and a romantic at heart male, 45, love to meet new people, love animals and nature. Box 897013 
SOCIABLE SORT I HANKS FOR LOOKING!
Adventurous male, 36, 5ft10, slim, athletic, loves sports, cycling, triathlons, seeking similar active female with GSOH for socialising, drinks, films, meals, more. Box 437499 © ©
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nature, Box 897013 

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Going for firendship, maybe more with an intelligent, silen, attractive woman. I'm fit, 40s, sociable, sensitive, and fun. I'm fit, 40s, sociable, sensitive, and fun. Henst, kind, caring male, 37, blond 6ft, enjoys walks, cinema, nights in/out, family fife, WITM like-minded genuine female. Sarah, please call again, leave contact details! Box 430440 @ QPERHAPS WE SHOULD
Sinale male. 37, 6ft, medium build, l , caring male, 37, blond,

I'm fit, 40s, sociable, sensitive, and fun. Enjoy good company, like a drink and smoke. Box 897985 ∰ Private Private

PERHAPS WE SHOULD Single male, 37, 6ft, medium build, interests include cycling, beach walks, meals, socialising, WLTM nice, similar lady for potential romance. Box 439539 ⊕ 0 HEBE AM 18, 6ft8, short dark hair, stocky build, love equaeth, bedminton, swimming, the gym, theatre, seeking a fun-loving, nice lady for loyally and love. Box 437106 ⊕ 0 GET UP AMD 5ft9, slim dark obscillation, climare, reading let, seeks laid back, slim, attractive female, 25, Whitssable 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 62 Ft UP AMD 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 62 Ft UP AMD 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 62 Ft UP AMD 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 62 Ft UP AMD 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 62 Ft UP AMD 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AM 62 Ft UP AMD 60x 380976 ⊕ 0 Ft UP AME?

MEN'S SPOTLIGHT

I LIKE IT 32yr old male, 5'10", slim, enjoy keep-ing fit, love pubs, meals out, WLTM a like-minded, cheerful female for fun

like-minded, cheerful female for fun times, maybe more. Box 439021 **①**STARTING OVER

Recently separated dad of 1, 32, enjoys most things in life, seeks s female for friendship and more Ashford Box 400000

COME MEET MY ROCKY Independent male, 38, sim, 5ft8, short brown hair, likes going out, cinema, restaurants, staying in, has a cockatelel, seeks lovely lady to wip and dine. Box 438050 ♥ PANCY THIS Jason, 38, 5ft8, likes meals out, pubs, cinema, cycling, seeks genuine female for friendship and good times. Box

for friendship and good times. Box 433326 @ FORECAST?

3by old male with brown hair, big smile, big heart, and big personality seeks caring and affectionate lady for love in all weather! Box 434270 @ ANSWER MY PRAYERS!

ANSWER MY PRAYERS!
Cheeky chappy, 38, single dad, 6ft, stocky, cropped hair, dark eyes, look ing for a special, sensual lady slimmedium build for bowling and cosynights! Box 437819 
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Mark 38, guite hist book and a special sensual lady slimmedium build for bowling and cosynights!

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Mark 38, mile laid-back and easygo-ing, seeking a lady to enjoy cinema.

Mark 38, mile laid-back and easygo-ing, seeking a lady to enjoy cinema, easing out, drinks and days out with, hopefully much more. Box 437866 \* © MOVING ON.

Hi Im 38, 5fl8, medium-stocky build, 2 children, love bike-rides, swimming, walks, pubs, seeking female partner for fun, friendship, and to start new file TO CARE FOR YOU.

TO CARE FOR YOU
Stuart, 39, outgoing, hard-working carer, likes occasional drink, WLTM outgoing female for fun and cosy nights in. Box 438937 •

COME ALONG
Discorded male, 41, 5ft11, medium Divorced male, 41, 5811, medium build, blue eyes, loves bowling, cinea, swimming, keeping lit, seeking LTR with a fun, happy lady - looks unimportent. Box 438293 @ MINDS HIS OWN BUSINESS! Attractive guy, riice to be with, laid-back, I'm 41, 519, medium/stocky build, brown hair. Own business/hom enjoy walks, pubs, wine, restaurants, cinema. Box 430286 @

Easy-going 43yr old single dad, stocky build, very confident, GSOH, enjoy pubs, meals out, looking for a female to share laughs and outings. Box 435262

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LIKE A LAUGH AND A JORE Young 51, good-looking, young-looking, N/S, GSOH, fit, slim, romantic swett, caring, likes most things in life; food/wine etc. seeking genuine lady to share life with Box 434593 
WHY WAIT?
Fun-loving male, 52, likes going out, playing golf, motor cycles, socialising, visiting new places, WLTM an interesting female, Box 427713 
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PERFECT PARTNER
Romantic, tactile male, 54, 5'11",
brown hair/eyes, GSOH, enjoys cinema, nights in/out, looking for someone
special for love. Aylesford Box 410217

HERE FOR YOU

55ylo male, 6lt1, young looking, likes to keep fit, plays most sports, gardening, seeking attractive, fun local lady 35-50 for mutual love & affection. Box 438804 ©

GSOH ESSENTIAL

GSOH ESSENTIAL
56yr old loyal and down-2-earth male,
510°, slim, enjoy the finer things in life
WLTM a honest, reliable female to
share gentle moments with. Box
438978 
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UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL
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Looking for extrovert, attractive fema 30-50, with a passion for tactile, hun gry meetings. I'm 56 and can't wait t hear your voice! Box 429567 \*\*

PASSION FOR FASHION Easy-going male, 58, 5ft8, fair hair, medium build, likes soul music, exercise, nice restaurants, looking for the sparkle back in my life Box 426298 **©**62 AND HAPPY
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62 AND HAPPY
62yr old young looking, active man,
5'6", looking for a sociable lady with a
lively personality for companionship
and maybe LTR. Box 438982 

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In Strev. 82, own business, 510°, blue eyes, short black hair, like cosyr ights in, holidays, animals, seek female, for love and romance. Box 42237° © WHAT A CATCH!

Don, 64, blue-eyed, cuddly build, own transport, cocasional smoker, likes to enjoy life, walks, cycling, bowling, instruction, golf, seeking, noce lady to settle lang, golf, seeking noce lady to settle why Don't WE HAVE A CHAT?

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Nice, romantic male, 64, semi-retired, N/S, GSOH, likes dancing, beach walks cuddles. WLTM female, 55-65, for friendship/relationship. Box 188254 PASSIONATE & ROMANTIC

PASSIONATE & ROMANTIC

Passionate, caring, widowed, 65yr old
male, 5\*10°, medium build, blue-brown
eyes, grey hair, likes country/western,
walks, looking for lady, to be my soulmate. Sittingbourne. Box 414929 

HELP ME LAUGH & LOVE AGAIN

6Nr old fit assunaina Leuina Levila. 68yr old fit, easygoing, loving, ta man, seeking a lady for friendshi possibly LTR. Enjoy gardening, p

pussibly LTR. Enjoy gardening, pets meals out etc. Box 438966 **⊕**ALIVE AND KICKING

Friendly, solvent CC Friendly, solvent 69yr old gent with a GSOH, active personality, looking for a sociable lady for companionship. Box 894376 ①

Men seeking men

Seeking men
FUH TIMES
Syr old male, looking for fun with an attractive man. I'm good looking, with a slimmedium build. Box 437652 ①
HYTERESTED?
Good guy, looking for male, 35-50. I'm 40, green eyes, dark hair, average build. I enjoy pubs, music, cinema, dining indust. Box 438613 ②
ARRESTING LOVE
HI there I'm 40. 6ft green eyes, blonde

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hair, own house, enjoy pubs, keeping
fit, seeking similar met 436786 •
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SNy 52yr old ROUND
SNy 52yr old male with GSOH and funloving personality is seeking an attractive male with similar traits for lasting
love. Box 437548 •

BIG HEART Hard-working, fit, nice guy, 51, 5ft6. I'm loyal and have a big heart. I have 2 dogs, and enjoy the cinema, cosy nights, eating out. Box 437829 cops, and endown the content of the



HEIGH-HO!!
Calling all knights in shining armour;
damsel in distress, 30, needs rescuing.
Lant guarantee love, but can guarantee laughs. Box 984062 ©
SCOUSE PARTY!
Lovely scouse Female, 29, 5ft1, brown
hair blue eyes, fantastic SOH, after
some fun and laughs, so if that's you
let me know. Box 438364 ©

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Single Mun, 30, 5ft2, short brown hair,
petile, lives pubs, clubs, eating out,
nights in, seeking Mr Right for friendship, maybe more, box 437955 
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HI m Cheryl, 31, 5ft3, blonde, size 10,
have 2 pist, like walking, the gym and
loperinal partnership Box 437744 
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LADY MADONNA
Single Mum of 2, 31, great SOH, works
full time, seeking male with GSOH, funloving and romantic, for possible relationship. Box 438417 ©
UNDER THE BOARDWALK

UNDER THE BOARDWALK
Black female, 32, 5ftB, likes cooking, reading, going out, WLTM a nice man 45-0, down-lo-earth and fun to be with, to find out more. Box 435955 
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#### **Brooding assassination** film is on offer at Tesco

TESCO is selling the DVD of The Assassination Of Jesse James By The Coward

Robert Ford for £10.70 The film, which was nominated for two Oscars in this year's awards, is a dark, brooding epic in the tradition of Clint

Eastwood's Unforgiven.
It tells the tale of Robert Ford, the man who was initially praised for killing the outlaw Jesse James but who came to be despised as the public started to idolise James's memory

Directed by Andrew Dominik, the DVD includes a feature-length documentary on the making of the film.

#### Latest thriller has a price to catch your attention

WATERSTONE'S in Folkestone is offering a discount of £6 on the new crime

thriller from Mo Hayder.
Ritual, which is available for £8.99, features police diver Flea Marley and DI Jack Caffrey and details the police investigation into the discovery of a child's severed hand in the River Severn.

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As usual, Ms Hayder's latest book is not for the squeamish.

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bloody mythological epic from the Creative Assembly for £34.99.

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# Enjoy Irish hospitalit

#### BY SARAH EBNER

FOR some time I've had a hankering to take my family to Ireland, but somehow it never happened.

I imagined beautiful scenery, friendly people and a relaxed, peaceful, atmosphere, where my children could run around happily. Now I've finally been, reality didn't disappoint.

After an hour and a half flight, we arrived at Galway Airport and, having hired a car, immediately set off for Connemara. The drive was gorgeous, through beautiful rolling hills.
We drove to Renvyle, almost at the western

tip of the country, and checked in at the Renvyle House Hotel. I know I'm at risk of gushing, but it was fabulous.

At Renvyle House, our accommodation was one of the new Island Suites. This meant my two children were together in one room, while my husband and I shared the other.

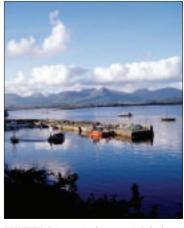
The hotel is spectacularly situated on the

shores of the Atlantic Ocean, right on a lovely pebble beach.

The hotel is well set-up for youngsters, with a playground and heated outdoor pool. As well as a nine-hole golf course, its own lake to fish in and beautiful surrounding woodlands.

Lovely as the hotel was, we couldn't spend all of our time there as there are so many other things to see and do in the west of

One place we visited was the very pretty



BEAUTIFUL: Enjoy spectacular scenery in Ireland

town of Clifden. From there we took the appropriately named Sky Road (up onto the cliffs) which had stunning views. We also saw the monument to Alcock and Brown, the men who took the first transatlantic flight, and who landed right near the tip of Clifden.

Despite its name, the beach at Dogs Bay, near Roundstone, was so clean, fresh and pretty it was almost the stuff of dreams. While in

Roundstone itself we made sure we went to the workshop run by Malachy Kearns, better known as Malachy Bodhran among folk musicians because he makes Ireland's oldest product, the bodhran drum.

After three days in Renvyle, we weren't quite ready to leave (we hadn't even visited the Connemara National Park, which was just 10 minutes from our hotel), but we had to, as

we were booked in for a stay in Galway City. Galway City is buzzing at the moment. It's the fastest growing city in Ireland and incredibly busy. It's also a great place to visit, easy to walk around and with lots of shops, cafes and restaurants. Luckily there is (once again) lots to explore with children.

We visited the Galway Atlantaguaria, the we visited the Gaway Atlantaquaria, the national aquarium of Ireland, where my son was mesmerised by the fish. We also went to the City Limits Entertainment Centre in nearby Oranmore where the kids took advan-

tage of the soft play area and slot machines. Another gem was the Turoe Pet Farm and Leisure Park, around 20 minutes away by car and another excellent attraction for families.

Our base in Galway City was the Days Hotel, well located and once again familyfriendly with a very good kids' club.

All in all, the west of Ireland was a great place for our family summer holiday. I would have been happy to have stayed longer and would love to go back one day.

The children were (and still are) incredibly enthusiastic about it, and as all parents will know, if the kids are happy, then you are too.

#### **FACT FILE: IRELAND**

Time difference	e As UK
Capital	Dublin
Population	Approx 4.3 million
Currency	Euro (1.26 to £1 approx)
Religion	Catholic
Climate	Mild
Language	English

#### **Holiday details**

Sarah Ebner and family were guests of Tourism Ireland and stayed at the Renvyle House Hotel in an Island Suite. In high season, suites cost £225 per night, B&B, plus £30 iningirseason, suites cost £225 per night, B&B, plus £30 for dinner, and £10 for child's supper. Single, double and family rooms are available. In February, five nights B&B with four dinners starts around £235.

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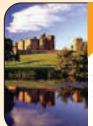


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#### **YOUR TV REVIEW**



RETURNED: Bianca (Patsy Palmer) and Ricky (Sid Owen) have returned to Albert Square

#### BY TOM BETTS

EASTENDERS
BBC1, 8pm, Monday and Friday

IT'S a tell-tale sign that a show is stuck for ideas and good characters when it brings back old or dead ones.

7.30pm, Tuesday and Thursday

So it is with that in mind that I turn my quill to EastEnders, who have brought Ricky and Bianca back to the Walford bosom for a second assault on the public's senses

the public's senses.

When TV producers dig up the apparently deceased, or worse, make that offer-of-work call to Sid Owen, it's clear the barrel bottom is being scraped and that all other plotline avenues must have been exhausted.

Either that or they're lazy as hell.

Unlike Coronation Street, which can rely on the occasional bit of humour to keep things fresh, EastEnders lurches from one gloom-laden episode to the next, unable to come up with anything new or interesting to say.

Its comedic efforts, usually involving

Its comedic efforts, usually involving hapless mechanics Minty and Gary, pale in comparison with Corrie's and wouldn't raise a titter in a laughing gas factory, let alone lift the dreariness

(that has ruined many a family Christmas in Chez Betts) that besieges this programme like the Zulus at Rorke's Drift. On the whole the soap hasn't been

On the whole the soap hash to seen much kop since Arthur Fowler went bananas and stole the Christmas Club money or Dirty Den met his fate via a gun poking from a bunch of daffs down by the canal, only to re-emerge from a behind a yukka plant in the nightclub 15 years later (seriously, there's something about Leslie Grantham and foliage).

In a move smacking of desperation just as much as Den's return, the ginger whinger and ever-dull Ricky have crawled back into Albert Square

Of course, all anyone really wanted to hear was the famous screech of "Riiiiiickahy" and once that not-sohigh high point had been scaled it was only ever going one way downbill

only ever going one way: downhill.

With a brood of street urchins
trailing in their wake, the Everybody's
Talking About It' trailer invited us to
Meet The Jacksons'. Hardly the most
appetite-whetting of suggestions.

Take my advice and decline the invitation: beat yourself over the head with a rolling pin for 30 minutes each night. It's far less painful.

#### YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

#### BY RUSSELL GRANT



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TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)
ALL you want to do is escape from the world.
Taking the phone off the hook isn't an option. You need to be on call for your nearest and dearest.
Prepare for a challenging week ahead. Be good to yourself whenever you can. Small gestures will help you withstand the pressure.
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YOU'RE eager to expand your horizons, but the opportunities just aren't coming. It's better to bide your time than take a risk. It's not enough to be passionate about a subject you need a level of expertise as well and while the road ahead may look daunting, it's worth taking.

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SCORPIO (0d: 24-Nov 22)
YOU may be given a thankless task. In situations like these, you need to do the bare minimum and move on. Don't accept the job and then refuse to do it. If you're looking for work you may not get any responses to your inquiries this week, but forge forward anyway.

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MONEY won't flow in as quickly as you'd like. It's probably best to cut back your spending. You can have just as much fun at home. If a friend asks to borrow money, refuse, and explain why. Pretending you are well off will only drive a wedge between you and a loved one.

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FRIENDS may not be very helpful. Try not to take their apparent indifference personally. This week is making heavy demands on everyone. Your challenge is in the social arena. Contrary to how it appears, you are loved and cherished. It just may not feel like it.

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MONEY you are expecting may not arrive so find an alternative source of income. Be willing to accept a job as a short-term way to pay your bills. Someone who wants you to overhaul your lifestyle isn't worth listening to try to find someone a balanced view.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov/23-Dec21)
IT seems like everybody is conspiring to stop you having a good time. Solitary pleasures may be the only form of relaxation you can find. Although the prospect of spending all this time alone may be challenging to a sociable soul like you, it may ultimately prove rewarding.

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It feels like circumstances are conspiring against you. An attempt to look calm, cool, and sophisticated could spectacularly backfire. Resist the urge to change your style as a means to impress a prospective partner. Putting on an act will only lead to disillusionment.

 To find out more about what the stars have in store call Pussell on Arios 09067-531752

IT may be difficult to reach your career goals. An authority figure could be blocking you. Instead of bashing your head against a brick wall, stay beneath the radar. Look for another job. For now, you've got to maintain the status quo. It's easier to get a job when you have one.

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RELATIONSHIPS could get a little strained and it won't be easy for you to act. Demands at home and work will keep you in check. Whenever you are called on to do extra work, take a deep breath and try to count your blessings. After all, it's better to be in demand than unwanted.

• To find out more about what the stars have in

 To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on Libra 09067-531758

THIS could be a week of emotional highs and lows. You're ready to make amends with a relative, but this person may not want to let go of their resentment. You've got to conserve your resources, even if a close associate is urging you to buy something expensive.

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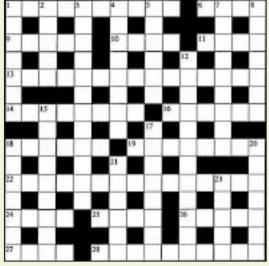
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- **3** Not a dead language but Spanish or Portuguese is spoken in these countries (5.7)
- 4 Help second said mate (8)
- 5 Distinguishing mark that's a pain in court (6)
- 7 This vicar perplexed record-keeper (9)
- 8 In a strict way cunning bird was included (7)
- **12** Love-apple? (7,5)
- **15** Uncover posh unruly heathens (9)
- 17 Can be climbed over despite black state inside (8)
- 18 Circle having 600 debts? (7)
- 20 See clan in revolt during purge (7)
- 21 Edict from French Indian! (6)
- 23 From Miami Michael took copy (5)

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#### ACROSS

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- 10 Stout cord (4)
- 11 Smoky fog (4)
- **13** Touch (4,4,7)
- **14** Intrude (8) 16 Foot swelling (6)
- **18** Collide (6)
- 19 Neckcloth (8)
- 22 One on the loose (7,8)
- 24 Stratford's river (4)
- 25 Courageous (4) 26 Musical form (5)

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- 28 Insisted on (10)

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- 4 Ship's-biscuit (8) 5 Anticipate (6)
- 7 Bell-towers (9)
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- 12 Not prosperous (12)
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#### **ONE MISSED CALL (15)**



What will it sound like when you die? In One Missed Call, chains of people receive terrifying cell phone messages of their own final fatal moments. Though the messages can be deleted, their number is up. Beth Raymond (Shannyn Sossamon) is traumatised when she witnesses the gruesome deaths of two friends just days apart.

# Farmer Hayden has a dilemma

#### BY KATE WHITING

HAYDEN Christensen is shaking off the Star Wars label and emerging as one of Hollywood's hottest actors, with lead roles this year in Jumper and Awake. But away from the big screen he's adapting to a rather different role - as a

Whilst most movie stars tend to go for flash sports cars and luxury pads on the beach, Canadian-born Hayden, 26, invested in a farm

last year, complete with pigs.
"I tried to spend most of my past summer there," he says. "I've got these two miniature

pot-bellied pigs."
But the harsh realities of farming could prove difficult - he admits he's struggling to even eat meat.

"It's a big dilemma for me right now. I'm not a vegetarian and I like my meat but having these pigs is definitely starting to mess with my head. I had my family over yesterday and so I went up to the market to buy food and usually I would buy pork ribs. I had this whole thing at the counter as to whether or not I should get them. I didn't get them."

When he's not on the farm, Hayden is out globetrotting, admitting he's spent lots of time in the Bahamas and London. But for his latest film. Awake, he returned to New York, where he'd studied at the Actors Studio.

The thriller sees his character undergo a heart transplant just hours after marrying his

fiance, played by Jessica Alba. But as his character Clayton Beresford slips under the anaesthetic, he realises he can still hear and see everything but is unable to move – a real-life medical phenomenon known as 'anaesthetic awarenes

Trapped in a kind of chemical straightjack-

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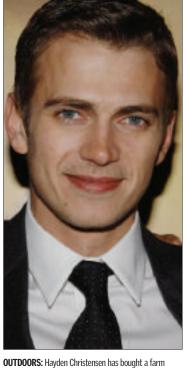


et, Clay can feel the surgery and hears secret conversations, which make him realise he's never meant to wake up.

"It was a really scary premise," admits Hayden. "But there was a little over a week of filming where I had to be lying down on an operating table, completely dormant and that got very boring.

"I wasn't actually lying on top of the table, that was a prosthetic body, but my head was what it was attached to. I was in this contraption that they had built that looked like an operating table, so my body was really contorted underneath."

Hayden's character Clayton had a seemingly charmed life, with a doting mother, a beautiful fiance Sam and a cardiologist (Terence Howard) as a best friend. But he also has a deadly heart condition - and can't tell his mum (Lena Olin) about his fiancé because Sam works for her.



He finally confesses their relationship and is shocked when his mum offers to pay Sam to 'go away'. In haste he betrays his mum and marries Sam.
But while he's under the anaesthetic, he

hears things that suggest he might have put his trust in the wrong person. It's a complex and emotional plot – a world away from light-sabres and Jedi mind-tricks.

He's also signed up to appear alongside William Hurt and Willem Dafoe in World War II drama Beast Of Bataan.

Il drama Beast Of Bataan.
After a stint treading the boards in London before his Star Wars fame, Hayden says he would love to return to the West End.
"I really like London and I really liked my

experience when I was there, so I would love to do it again."



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#### **PROPERTY NEWS**

## Development aims to recreate charm

FERNDALE is the name of a new housing development in the heart of the Garden of England.

In the village of East Peckham, near Paddock Wood, the development aims to recreate the rural, rustic charm of bygone days.

It includes four detached houses, each with four bedrooms, five two-bedroom cottages and two two-bedroom bungalows.

The cottages and bungalows all surround a courtyard, while the larger houses are at the front of the whole development.

It is the work of developer Da Vinci Properties, of Maidstone, which states its aim is to "bring maximum ease and convenience to a hectic 21st-century lifestyle".

The company also emphasises local attractions, including access to London, the River Medway and the nearby towns of Maidstone and Tonbridge.

"A beautiful, well-appointed home at Ferndale will provide not only the quality of life you seek, but also the time in which to enjoy this historic and attractive area," said a spokesman for the developer.

## Bill would open up coastal 'corridor'

SEASIDE property owners could see their privacy disrupted if plans to open every stretch of the coastline to walkers and ramblers are given the go-ahead.

At present, private property on the seafront is protected and rights of way usually avoid gardens and other land in the possession of homeowners.

Other areas are just completely offlimits to those who do not own the land.

But provisions within the Marine Bill – soon to be discussed by Parliament – are expected to call for the formation of a 'corridor' giving the public access to the whole of the coast.

This would open up previously inaccessible areas – including land in private

hands.

Supporters of the move say it is necessary as access to the seafront should be available to all.

But opponents claim the quality of life and the privacy of many people who own homes and land along the coast would be severely affected.



INVESTMENT: Landlords have seen good returns from their rental properties so far this year, with nine out of 10 insisting that they have no intention of selling them

# Properties are let to spring good returns

INVESTORS who buy property to re-let it have seen increases in their returns during the first quarter of 2008, according to recent studies which point to demand from immigrants as a significant factor.

The average return on an investment is 21.7 per cent, up 0.27 per cent and flats also show a marginally higher return than houses.

An investigation into the trend in this form of property was carried out in the first two months of the year by members of the Association of Residential Letting Agents.

This body regulates the buying and selling of property to let and also acts as an industry watchdor.

The survey states that, given this increase in

BY NICK AMES

immigrant demand and domestic demographic trends, nine out of 10 investment landlords continue to state that they have no intention of selling their investment properties should house prices fall.

And 46 per cent of all investment landlords report their intention to buy further property during the next 12 months – the average life expectancy of their investments remains unchanged at close on 17 years.

However, irrespective of house prices, 18 per

However, irrespective of house prices, 18 per cent of landlords will sell some or all of their property investments during the coming year.

The quarterly ARLA Review and Index, the largest survey of its kind, is carried out with the support of the ARLA Group of Buy to Let Mortgage Lenders: Bank of Ireland Mort-

gages, Cheltenham & Gloucester, GMAC-RFC, Mortgage Express, NatWest and Paragon Mortgages.

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ARLA operations manager Ian Potter said:
"There can be no doubt from these figures that
buy-to-let landlords are well aware of the
opportunities but behave with caution.

"In fact, caution has been the watchword in the buy-to-let market since its inception. Buyto-let remains the sustainable option for housing."

The average portfolio contains just under seven properties, although half of all respondents only hold one or two properties.

The most likely buy-to-let purchase is a property between 50 and 100 years old in good condition.

The least likely purchase is of properties that have never been occupied or bought off-plan.

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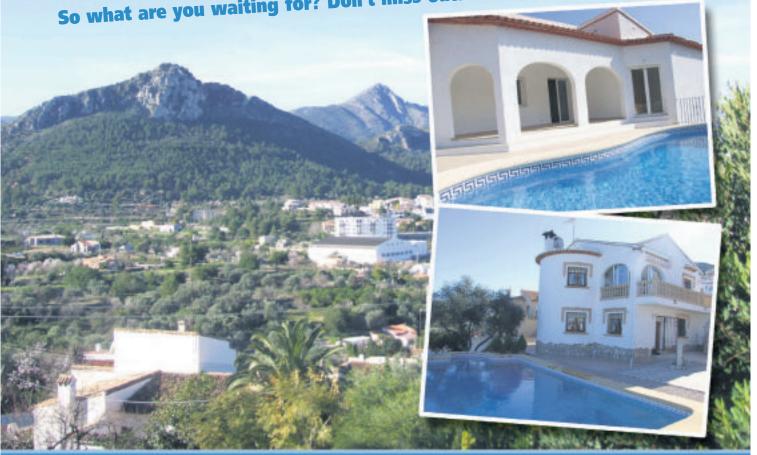
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# Peugeot offering you the 'drive of your life'

PEUGEOT dealers launch a 10-day 'Drive Away a Great Deal' event tomorrow, with the chance to win a VIP weekend at the renowned Le Mans 24-Hour Race, where Peugeot will race its stunning new 908 diesel supercar.

Every customer taking a test drive in a new Peugeot from 10-20 April can enter this competition, with the frugal 107 city car, 207 supermini and spacious new 308 family hatchback likely to be the frontrunners.

On the other hand, much interest is expected in the successor to the legendary 205 GTi – the ferocious 207 GTi THP 175 (pictured above) – and the chic 207 CC (Coupé Cabriolet).



# Honda Civic Type-R is voted the No1 hot hatch

HONDA'S 'space shuttle' Civic Type-R is the nation's favourite three-door hot hatchback

natchback. Since lift-off a year ago, 5,192 buyers have opted for this sleek sporting model, against 4,778 equivalent Ford Focus STs and 1,984 VW Golf GTIs.

Honda is only too happy to trumpet the ear's success, boosted by slick styling and features like the arrowhead door handles, triangular exhausts and starship dashboard.

For our online report on the Type-R – see 'Star Drive' on Motors TV at www.carsforkent or via 'cars and transport' at www.yourkentty.co.uk.



# Land Rover Freelander is a real tax beater

LAND Rover says persistent customer demand inspired production of a commercial derivative of its award-winning Freelander 2 (from £20,775) to benefit from being VAT and company car tax exempt.

The award-winning 4x4 is now available in two trim levels minus rear seats and side airbags and plus a full-height solid bulkhead with mesh panel, floor support frame, floor panel with lashing points, fixed rear side glass, rubber load mat, tail door and side window guards and rear cargo lighting.



DIVIDED OPINION: The Volvo C3O Coupé has distinct styling, solid build, great engines and is value for money, but it would seem even all this is not enough to make it a runaway success

# Volvo coupé doesn't hit marque with everyone

VOLVO'S C30 Coupé has not scored as well as the Swedish marque hoped.

The styling divides car fans as football splits Liverpool, because Volvo tried to create a coupé – hence the car's 'C' prefix – with hatchback versatility.

Some people whinge that they want a coupé that looks like a coupé though, even if the C30 is a bargain in those terms, from £14,995 and now including smart 'R-Design' trappings as the entry trim

Conversely, company car 'user choosers' shopping for a versatile premium hatchback will ask what the C30 can do for them that an Audi A3 cannot – and there's no five-door option either.

By this stage, it sounds forlorn to quote the heritage and style of that rakish glass tailgate, echoing the 1970s Volvo 1800ES and 1980s 480ES.

If only doubters would get behind the wheel though and see what the Swede brings: premium badge, distinctive styling, solid build, some great engines, a good driving experience... and rarity value.

# ROAD TEST

### ■ BY **STEVE LOADER**

STAR QUALITY

The sensible choice is the 2.0-litre diesel we tested just after the car's rather protracted launch last year – it has power plus economy – but the 'halo model' is the performance star T5 (£24,495) tested here.

It uses a turbocharged five-cylinder 227bhp 2.5-litre Volvo unit that, much to the irritation of Volvo dealers, has been lauded more for being in the Ford Focus ST hot hatch, though Volvo's parent did donate the excellent Focus platform to the C30 in return.

The combination is impressive: the C30 T5 sprints to 60mph in 6.2 seconds, features a crisp six-speed box, pin-sharp steering, excellent grip and the ability to devour rural miles, cruise with refinement on the motorway and be a joy around town.

Of course, fuel consumption suffers if you exploit the performance, but I cannot think of another coupé that drives as well and possesses some hatchback versatility.

Interior quality is impressive, but the boot is smaller than obvious sports hatch rivals and has a fiddly load cover and just two rear seats, though these offer better comfort and legroom than many rival coupés.



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### USED CAR ROUND-UP: **OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR**

### ALTERNATIVE HATCHBACKS

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In a market sector where products are increasingly and boringly similar in styling and packaging, some manufacturers have been creating highly individual interpretations of the family hatchback or Ford Focus composition. Two of our choices here are affordable yet potentially fiery options too - depending on engine choice - while the third is a pricier premium/executive choice within a modest-size frame. They also come from different countries, but what all three do have in common is the ability to turn heads and be a talking point even when they are used buys.

### **SEAT I FON**



SEAT didn't do much wrong with styling the original Leon, but its replacement is a stunner intended to look like a coupe. Both generations look racy though – in keeping with Seat's brief to be the affordable sporting brand within the Volkswagen group stable - and have a good range of petrol and diesel engines that mostly deliver on that front too. In addition, Leons have VW Golf underpinnings so they are durable yet far more affordable than their donor car.

### **STAR QUALITY**

Driving appeal	****
Looks and image	****
Space	****
Value	****
Running costs	****
Reliability	****
Quality	****

### **ALFA ROMEO 147**



SET aside old prejudices about Alfa Romeo reliability and durability the 147 was the car that reversed that image of the romantic Italian brand. Along with the earlier 156 saloon, it also initiated a new generation of Alfa buyers to smooth and punchy diesel engines – a power source once unthinkable for the race-bred brand. Though due for replacement, the 147 still looks fresh as well as being cheap to buy and run - avoid the uncomfortable GTA hooligan hot hatch though.

### **STAR QUALITY**

Driving appeal	****
Looks and image	****
Space	****
Value	****
Running costs	****
Reliability	****
Quality	****

### **AUDT** A3



NOW into its second generation, the 'premium cum practical' Audi A3 hatchback opened up a whole new market to Audi, as well as recruiting new customers who have since traded up to bigger models. Sometimes derided as a re-badged VW Golf, the brand four-rings on the radiator grille still brings cachet – at a price though even on the used market. All models drive well but there are some excellent performance Quattro models, as well as powerful and long-lived diesels.

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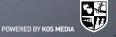




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Post Ref: NVO/PW/KOS

Various hours available, salary range £17,727- £25,418 pro rata per annum

For an application pack please visit www.cant-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone) quoting the post reference.

### The closing date for the above posts is Monday 21 April at 12 noon.

### Staff benefits include:

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### Lecturer Cross-College Key Skills

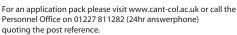
18.5 hrs per week, salary range £17,816 - £25,545 pro rata per annum Post Ref: 08/36/KOS

### **Senior Learning Resources Officer**

37 hrs per week, salary starting from £20,775 per annum Post Ref: S3/KOS

### **Hair & Beauty Receptionist**

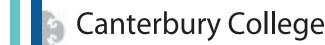
18.5 hrs per week, 40 weeks per year term time. Salary starting from £18,375 pro rata per annum Post Ref: 08/17/KOS



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### **Head of Quality and Standards**

37 hrs per week, salary starting from £40,821 per annum Post Ref: 08/35/KOS

Canterbury College is aiming to be the best in teaching and learning by 2010. An exciting opportunity has arisen to take on this key role in the College to drive this further forward. As Head of Quality and Standards you will be responsible for all quality review and improvement processes together with taking forward local, national and government quality initiatives with the ultimate aim being to further enhance the quality of the teaching and learning experience thereby ensuring success for all students at Canterbury College.

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37 hrs per week, salary starting from £32,800 per annum Post ref: 08/08/KOS

The Faculty of Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Care is looking for someone to lead and manage a team of dedicated professionals committed to helping Canterbury College becoming one of the best FE colleges in the country by 2010.

Reporting to the Head of Faculty, you will be responsible for the development and delivery of a curriculum portfolio which meets the present and future needs of students, employers and communities in Kent and beyond,

You will have a commitment to excellence and a focus on delivery, together with an up to date knowledge of the land-based FE curriculum and key national developments.

For an application pack please visit www.camt-col.ac.uk or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone) quoting the past reference.

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### **Section Manager Construction Crafts**

37 hrs per week, salary starting from £32,808 per annum.

### **Higher Education Lecturer in Building Surveying**

9.25 hrs per week, salary range £17,816 - £25,545 pro rata per annum

HE Supply Lecturers are required to teach across HNC, HND, Foundation and Honours Degree programmes in the following areas:

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FD in Care Management\* **HND and FD in Retail Management** 

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We are looking for an energetic and enthusiastic person to join our team of Control Room Operators who assist in the running of a 24hr Vehicle Breakdown, Recovery and Transportation Company. A knowledge of the industry would be an advantage, but it is essential to have a good telephone manner, common sense and an ability to think logically under pressure.

### Apply in writing, including a CV to:

Personnel Director, Eclipse Recovery Services Ltd, The Warren, Ratling Road, Ratling, Canterbury, Kent CT3 3BD

Or call 01304 843011 for an Application Form.

Closing date: 16th April 2008







(A Specialist Technology College & Training School)

Derwent Way, Rainham, Gillingham, Kent ME8 0BX. Tel: 01634 362 746

(NOR 1500) Head Teacher: Mrs J Dunn

### Required for September 2008 Curriculum Leader, Geography (TLR 2b - £4,037) and Teacher of Science/Health and Social Care

Applications welcome from experienced teachers and NQTs

Any offer of employment for this post will be subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Criminal Record Bureau Disclosure. This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Application forms and further details are available from the School. Tel. 01634 362746 Email: admin@rsg.org.uk

Closing date: 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2008

### HILDERSTONE COLLEGE BROADSTAIRS

### 10 Learning Resources **Organiser**



Would suit graduate with experience of similar work, good library/IT skills, and familiar with computers for world-wide communication. Excellent presentation/communication skills required

Details/application form can be downloaded from the College website: www.hilderstone.ac.uk/site/vacan and sent to Recruitment, Hilderstone College, St Peters Road, Broadstairs CT10 2JW (alisonh@hilderstone.ac.uk) by 11th April 2008.

Due to continued expansion

### **Brian Yeardley Continental Ltd**

Ashford Road, A20 Lenham, ME17 2DL

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Baileys Nissan require a Parts Assistant for busy parts department. Parts experience is essential. Nissan knowledge an advantage. Clean driving license required.

Apply with CV to Mr G Tong Baileys Nissan Westminster Road Vauxhall Ind. Estate Canterbury, Kent CT1 1YY 01227 766777



email: guy.tong@baileysnissan.co.uk

### KING'S SCHOOL **CANTERBURY MASONRY OPERATIONS** LABOURER

Reliable and adaptable Labourer required for busy stonemasonry and general masonry operation. Driving licence would be an advantage. Good basic salary and benefits package available. Hours of work will be Monday to Friday from 8 am to 4.30 pm all year round

The King's School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Criminal Records Burea

For more information, Job Description and application form, please telephone the School's Personnel Department on 01227 595655 (24 hour answerphone).

> Closing date for receipt of completed application forms: 23rd April 2008

The King's School, Canterbury is an Educational Charity - Registration No. 307942

### **Porsche Centre Tonbridge**

### Saturday Receptionist/Meeter Greeter Saturday 8-5pm

We are currently looking for an enthusiastic and friendly individual to work with our sales team on Saturdays to welcome and manage customers for their demonstration drives. Excellent administration and organisational skills are required and, as a customer facing member of the team, you will need to be of smart appearance. This is a junior role, as such previous experience in a similar role would be an advantage but it is not essential. Full training will be provided. Applicants must be in possession of a full, clean driving licence and over 21 (for insurance purposes). Applications close 14 April 2008.

To apply for this position, please send your CV to Louise Mitchell, Porsche Centre Tonbridge, Brook Farm, Five Oak Green Road, Tonbridge, Kent TN11 00N or email louise.mitchell@porschetonbridge.co.uk



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- Be responsible for all aspects of the Statutory Accounts
- · Perform regular internal financial audits.
- Prepare end of year accounts in accordance with SORPS requirements currently in

You will also provide cover for the Deputy Chief Executive when required, meaning that you'll gain a comprehensive understanding of the organisation and be able to make a full contribution to its future progress.

To be considered for this role you should have a formal accounting qualification, solid experience of accounting procedures/double entry book-keeping and computerised accounting systems. Experience within the voluntary sector would be advantageous.

For an application form contact: KCA (UK), 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT. Telephone 01795 590635, Fax 01795 539351

Email recruitment@kca.org.uk, www.kca.org.uk.

Closing date: 21st April 2008

29th April 2008

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### **Trustee** for new park in Gillingham

A new park is being built off Medway Road, Gillingham. The park will be owned and operated by an independent trust. We are now seeking one trustee from local residents.

The successful applicant will have experience of working on a voluntary or elected body; a strong commitment to the local area and an enthusiasm for heritage and/or ecological issues.

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For more information, please contact Jane Jones on 01634 884399 or jane.jones@midkent.ac.uk.



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### We offer: OTE £20.000

- Performance and revenue related bonuses
- Five weeks holiday a year

To join a visionary and exciting media company, please one Christine Davidson, Recruitment Manager on 01303 817040 or email your CV and covering note to christine.davidson@kosmedia.co.uk



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Ashford Leisure Trust is looking for highly self-motivated, enthusiastic people to join our team, who can make positive contributions to the operation of two of our sites and their futures by providing outstanding facilities and services to the Borough of Ashford and surrounding areas.

### Full Time Stadium Manager - Julie Rose Stadium - Salary up to £26,044 You will ideally have a keen interest in sport coupled with excellent business skills

Outstanding interpersonal and leadership skills are essential as is the ability to support and motivate staff to meet business objectives. You need to be results driven with exceptionally high standards in service delivery.

You will be responsible for controlling the budget and developing the business further, in particular conferences and functions. You need to enjoy working in a dynamic team environment and have a positive flexible attitude. Hours are 37 per week and will include evenings and weekends.

### Full Time Fitness Instructors - Julie Rose Stadium and Stour Centre - Salary up

The ideal candidate will hold a Fitness Instructors qualification. Responsibilities include carrying out new member inductions, fitness assessments and programming, membership sales and some reception duties. Hours are upto 37 per week and include evenings and weekends.

### Part Time Bookings Officer - Stour Centre - Hourly Rate up to £7.47

You will have a minimum of Maths & English at GCSE or equivalent and be competent in the use of Microsoft packages including Word and Excel. You will be dealing directly with customers in relation to both contract and special bookings ensuring ALT booking regulations and conditions of hire are adhered to at all times.

You will administer the invoice payment and sundry debtor systems therefore knowledge of Sage would be beneficial. Full training will be given.

Hours are 2 days per week from 9am to 5pm.

Casual Customer Service Advisors – Stour Centre – Hourly Rate £5.94
You will have a minimum of Maths & English at GCSE level or equivalent and have good computer skills. Responsibilities will include customer liaison, answering the telephone, cash handling, bookings, sales and presentation.

must enjoy working with the public, have exceptional customer service skills able to work under pressure in a busy environment. Experience in a similar role i desirable. You must enjoy working with the public, have exceptional customer service skills and be

Part Time Housekeepers – Stour Centre – Hourly Rate up to £6.54 Candidates should have good health and safety knowledge, be familiar with COSHH regulations and have worked within the cleaning industry. The hours are varied and will include evenings and weekends.

For an informal discussion please contact the Stour Centre office on 01233 667121 and ask for Kirsty Ferguson.

Alternatively, you can download an application form from the current vacancies website www.stourcentre.co.uk

Closing date: Friday 25th April 2008.



### **Lottery New Membership Salesperson**

The Lottery provides vital regular predictable income to help us fund the care we provide to children with life limited conditions and their families.

We seek a highly motivated, well presented communicator based in mid/north Kent to develop our membership base, finding suitable locations for our small exhibition trailer. manning the trailer, and selling membership. You would be responsible for negotiating an in store presence within large retail stores and selling lottery membership. An excellent product to sell with 53 cash prizes including £1000 top prize every week.

Ideally full time hours averaging 37 per week. Job share and part time options considered for the right candidates. One year fixed term contract.

- · Demonstrate previous successful sales experience
- Have full driving licence with ability to tow
- . Work flexible hours including some evenings/weekends.

- Excellent product training and on-going support
- Attractive salary of £17,000 plus unlimited commission plus benefits
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For an information pack or an informal chat call Paul Booth, Lottery Manager on 01795 845224. An enhanced Disclosure check will be required for the successful candidate



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### **KCC Tutor - Nursing**

Folkestone

Variable contract

You will create and deliver a range of short courses (3-6 hours in duration) on the KCC Care Project across a variety of locations. This will include courses on Dementia, Diabetes, Parkinsons Disease, Palliative Care Medication and Health Care procrdures, Infection prevention and controland Loss, Grief and Bereavement.

### Pastoral Tutor

Ref: S2125

Ref: T1319

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18.5 hours per week

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26 hours per week - term-time only

You will provide assistance with the learning experiences of students within the New Start Centre ensuring they participate fully in the learning experience availiable to them through their course of study. You will be required to assist students with reading, writing or verbal communication as circumstances demand.

### The closing date for receipt of all completed application forms is Monday 21st April 2008.

For further information, including salary details and an application pack for the above vacancy, please contact the Human Resources Department on either 0845 207 8222 (24 hour answerphone), email: humanresources@southkent.ac.uk or visit www.southkent.ac.uk

All posts are subject to a disclosure check by the Criminal Records Bureau We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all employees to share this commitment.

Applications are welcome form suitably qualified candidates regardless of ethnicity, gender, age, disability, sexuality or religion.

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### Assistant Manager



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Reporting to the General Manager, the successful candidate will ideally hold a PCV licence and be able to demonstrate clear experience in delivering a quality service in a cost effective manner. A thorough understanding of driver's hours rules, along with a sound knowledge of the local private hire and contract market, is desirable.

Other key responsibilities in this new role will include:

- Liaising with the management team of easyBus and other key customers
- Managing and motivating drivers at both sites to provide reliable, high quality services
- Planning driver coverage
- Driver recruitment and discipline
- Developing private hire business and excursion/tour programmes
- Assisting with mileage recording, tachograph records, pay records and other
- Deputising for the General Manager as necessary

This demanding and exciting new role will offer the successful applicant:

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If you are interested in applying for this challenging role then please forward your CV along with a covering letter to: Heath Williams, Managing Director, Arriva Southern Counties, Invicta House, Armstrong Road, Maldstone, Kent, ME15 6TX or by e-mail at williamsh.sc@arriva.co.uk

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Closing date: 12 May 2008
To apply/more information
Gill Perry, Headteacher
Burnt Oak Primary School
Cornwall Road
Gillingham
Kent ME7 1LP Telephone - (01634) 852991 Fax - 01634 571283 Email office@burntoak.medway.sch.uk

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To apply/more information
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Fairview Community Primary School
Drewery Drive, Wigmore Gillingham Kent ME8 0NU Telephone - (01634) 338710

office@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk

### **Fairview Community Primary** School

School
Year 3
Salary: MPS/UPS
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### **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

### **Company drivers** are weakest link in health and safety

THE first prosecution under new corporate manslaughter laws just introduced wwill involve a driver on company business accidentally killing someone on the UK's roads - according to one safety campaigner.

campaigner.

Andrew McGavin, of BetterDriving Please.com, said he feels companies' drivers are the weakest part of many business health and safety plans.

He said: "It's estimated one in three of all road accidents involves a company

we hicle or someone driving on business.
"I think it is only a matter of time before a company is legally held to be responsible for the actions of one of its employees on the roads.

"BetterDrivingPlease.com has an increasing number of reports of drivers in branded company vehicles spotted using a hand-held mobile phone or driving dangerously."

The new Corporate Manslaughter Act aims to reduce the number of accidents on the country's roads and therefore also cut the number of deaths

### **Charity karting day** raises thousands

CASH totaling £25,000 was raised for The Heart of Kent Hospice and Demelza House at a business-backed charity event at Buckmore Park.

event at Buckmore Park.
Involved were 21 corporate teams,
with 126 people taking part in the gokarting. The winning company for the
day was Hoddesdon Kart Club.
Caroline Brinkman, corporate fundraiser at the Heart of Kent Hospice, said
"This event took a lot of hard work
from our separators and little fight it is:

from our sponsors to pull it off, but it's worth it.

"This money will mean a lot to the hospice in order to continue our care in the community."

Networking group Bixlinx, which focuses on white collar, high-tech and entrepreneurial businesses, was behind the event.

# **Future** looking

THE CBI has downgraded its outlook for economic growth for this year, with an even slower prediction for 2009

The gloomy outlook is the result of continued troubles in the credit markets, rising commodity prices and weak domestic and global demand - especially for consumer

and top-range luxury products.

The prediction calls the current economic situation "uncertain" when taken in a global context.

In its latest quarterly economic forecast, this year's rate of GDP growth was down 0.2 per cent to 1.8 per cent.

The forecast for next year has also been downgraded and the CBI's figure of 1.7 per cent growth for 2009 contrasts with the Chancellor's more optimistic forecast of between 2.25 per cent and 2.75 per cent.

Malcolm Hyde, CBI South East regional director, said: "Having enjoyed two years of strong growth, we are now in uncertain times. We are facing a financial shock on a scale not experienced in recent years, which is coming on top of already slower growth.

### BY NICK AMES

"However, outside the financial and property sectors the overall mood of business is nothing like as gloomy as you might guess.

"While there are signs of a high street slowdown and some firms say it's getting harder to raise bank finance, many still report quite positive conditions. So it is vitally important to keep the story in perspective.

"Although painful, write-offs by British banks represent a tiny fraction of their capital. After a few good years, the UK corporate balance sheet is in good shape. "Our flexible labour market is a

force for stability and our best bet is that our economy will continue to show modest growth before starting a gradual recovery."

At the same time as the econ-

omy slows, inflation is due to rise.

The CBI expects that the rate of inflation will peak at 3.2 per cent in the third quarter of 2008, forcing the governor of the Bank of England to write a second letter to the Chancellor.

Due to the slowing economy, however, inflation is expected to come down in the longer term.



**DIFFERENT:** Chancellor Alistair Darling has made much brighter economic predictions







BACK OF THE NET: Jimmy Dryden's goal secured the title for Dover

# Dryden winner seals title glory

goal, but it was enough to secure Dover the Ryman Division One South title.

The Whites went into Saturday's game against the league's in-form side knowing a win would secure them the title and with it, promotion to the Ryman Premier League.

Dover had been gifted the chance by challengers Tooting & Mitcham who failed to beat Walton Casuals on Friday night, so Andy Hessenthaler's side had to get three points to secure

The home team came up against a Burgess Hill side that had won four of their last five games in the division and they didn't make life easy for

### **FOOTBALL**

### **Dover Athletic 1 Burgess Hill Town 0**

They hurried the Whites all over the pitch and had opportunities to score themselves, but in the end it was a piece of clinical finishing from Dryden that secured the vital three points at the Crabble Stadium.

It sparked jubilant scenes at the end of the game with fans leaping onto the pitch to congratulate the players and the manager, which is something that Hessenthaler admits he will never forget.

credit as we could not have done it without their support.

"They have been fantastic and I am so pleased for them as they have had years without success and now the

club is moving in the right direction.
"At the final whistle they stormed onto the pitch and that was an emotional moment for me.

The win put Dover 12 points above Cray Wanderers, but more impor-tantly 16 ahead of Tooting and Mitcham, who can no longer catch the Whites despite their chase for the majority of the season.

Dover now have three games of the season left, starting at Metropolitan Police on Saturday.

### Season can't finish fast enough for Deal

DEAL TOWN'S miserable end to the season continued with a 4-1 home defeat to Erith & Belvedere at the weekend.

The away side raced into a three-goal lead at the Charles Sports Ground, thanks to a brace from John Farley and a Sam Prett strike.

Mark Pollard pulled one back for Deal but Aiden Purseglove added another for the visitors to condemn Town to their

14th defeat of the season.

Derek Hares' side still remain in ninth position in the Kent Premier Division and with three games to go, he will be hoping to turn around their recent form to ensure they finish the season on a high.





Motorsport legend Murray Walker talks about Kent's Brands Hatch circuit

### Reserves look to follow first team

DOVER Athletic reserves could go a step closer to winning Kent League Division Two if they beat Tunbridge

Wells on Saturday.

The club's reserves could follow the The club's reserves could follow the first team by wrapping up the title in the next few weeks. They are top of the division, with a lead of eight points over challengers Tumbridge Wells. It would mean four points from their last four games would see the club top the league and gain promotion to Kent

League Division One.

The Whites take on Wells at the Crabble Stadium on Saturday, kick-off





TEAM EFFORT: Dover have clinched promotion to the Ryman Premier League and boss Andy Hessenthaler says everyone involved at the club has played their part in the club's success

# Hess tells of pride after Whites clinch promotion

DOVER ATHLETIC boss Andy Hessenthaler ranks his side's promotion to the Ryman Premier alongside his experience of winning the play-off final with Gillingham.

The Whites' manager has refused to get carried away with thoughts of promotion all season and has shown due respect to all chal-lengers despite his side leading the way at the top of Ryman Division One South for the majority of the season.

Now the former Gillingham manager can

afford to relax and enjoy the last few games knowing Dover are a step closer to realising their dream of playing Conference football again.

He told Yourdover: "It is nice to finally get over the line and secure the title. We did not have an easy job trying to secure it against Burgess Hill but we managed to get a crucial goal through Jimmy Dryden and now we can

### **FOOTBALL**

### BY TOM HOWARD

"We have done what we set out to achieve and I am just delighted for the fans the players and the chairman who has put a lot into this football club."

Dover held off the challenge of Tooting & Mitcham and fellow Kent side Cray Wanderers, to secure the title, and Hessenthaler admits he had every faith that his squad would be top come the end of the season.

He said: "There was not really a point during the year when I thought we were not going to do it. When I came to the club my objective was to get the club out of this division and we have achieved this.

"Me and my assistant, Darren Hare, knew that once we had a lead of eight or nine points

then the title was certainly for us to lose. "It has been a team performance. I do not like

to single any one out who has helped us achieve the title. It has been a mixture of the players, the fans and everyone who has been involved with the club throughout the year.

"Ever since day one, people at the club have been working so hard and we set out what we wanted to achieve and that was promotion. Now we are going to enjoy this and look forward to trying to make it back-to-back promo-tions and plan for next season."

The day Dover clinched promotion will live long in the memory for Hess and ranks among one of his greatest achievements as a player manager.

He said: "I have had highs and lows during my career, but one of my best moments was the play-off final at Wembley with Gillingham and this is certainly up there with that.

"From a managerial point of view, this is great to put on my CV and one of my most memorable experiences. It is just as good as when I guided Gillingham to their highest-ever finish in the Championship."

# **Cugley tries to stay** positive after loss

### **FOOTBALI**

BY **DAVID PRITCHARD** 

### **Staines Town 2 Folkestone 0**

INVICTA manager Neil Cugley refused to panic over his side's precarious position at the bottom of the division and fully expects his side to confirm their Ryman Premier League status in the next few games.

Lloyd Blackman and James Everitt both had chances to score for Invicta, but they found the home team's goalkeeper in inspired form.

Despite the defeat, Cugley found enough pos-

itives from the game and believes his side have

what it takes to stay up this season.

He said: "We played ever so well. They are a good side and were better in the first half but in the second half we played very well.

### **Equaliser**

"It was only when we were chasing the equaliser that they scored their second goal late on. I was very pleased, we showed the right attitude. It would have been easy for their heads to drop when we went behind but it did-n't happen. No one had a bad game, so there

nt nappen. No one had a bad game, so there are positives to take out of the game."

Home form is the key, according to Cugley, who called on Invicta fans to help the club ensure they remain in the division at the end of

He said: "Four of the last five games are at home so hopefully the fans will get behind us so we can get the two wins we need to stay up. If we play like we did against Staines I think we will have no problems to do that."

Invicta have now managed to rearrange their game with AFC Hornchurch after surface water at the Buzzlines Stadium meant the game was called off on March 29.

Folkestone will now take on Hornchurch on Monday, April 21. Kick-off will be at 7.45pm.



**NO PANIC:** Invicta boss Neil Cugley believes his side's home form will be the key to escaping relegation this season

# Hythe strengthen league position



CUP FINAL DREAMS: Hythe Town made it to the final of the Premier Division Cup

HYTHE Town continue to pressure Kent League lead Thamesmead Town after confident victory at Reachfields on Saturday.

Two first-half goals from Damian Able and Dave Cook just before the half-time interval, ensured Hythe remain in the hunt at the top and put them into a position position to capitalise on any lip-ups from Thamesmead

or second-placed VCD Athletic.
Paul Fisk's side are still eight points behind the leaders with a game in hand which makes it a tall order with only three games

of the season remaining. However, if Hythe do lose out in the race for promotion to the Ryman League, they will be cheered by the fact they are to

cheered by the fact they are to play in a cup final after they beat Herne Bay 6-1 on aggregate in the Premier Division Cup semi-final. Hythe took a 4-1 lead to Reachfields on Wednesday night and ran home comfortable 2-0 winners after a Sean Bremner

### **FOOTBALL**

### **Hythe Town 2** Sevenoaks Town 0

own goal and an Ian Hayes strike. Fisk said: "We weren't taking anything for granted, there was a big job to be done. We just wanted to get the 90 minutes out of the way, because we obviously thought we were there after the first leg

but we couldn't say it.
"Now we are we can think about a cup final and a day out, every-one is really pleased. The players deserve it and it means we have had a decent season. We wanted to go to a cup final, we are there now and we can look forward to going there and trying to win it.

"The pressure is probably off us a bit because we have got to the final. We can set ourselves up to try and win the rest of our league games and hope someone



**IN THE HUNT:** Dover are ready to pounce for play-offs

### Sharks to pounce if Gees fail in title bid

### **RUGBY**

DOVER RFC are preparing for the lottery of the play-offs as they go into their penulti-mate game of the season against Tonbridge Juddian on Saturday.

Dover chairman Richard Catt concedes

the Sharks will have to settle for second place as Kent rivals Gravesend look unlike-

place as Kent rivals Gravesend look unlikely to drop any points in their pursuit of the London South East Three title.

He said: "It is good obviously that we are closing in on promotion. I don't think Gravesend will slip-up, so we will be fight-

Gravesend win sup-up, so we win to again ing for a play-off place.

"Hopefully, in the remaining games of the season we can perform and claim that spot. It looks like that will be against Purley John Fisher, who are another good side, but we have to ensure we get that second spot."

Dover travel to Tonbridge on Saturday to

play the league's bottom side and Catt expects a tough game because every team wants to beat 0a team riding high at the top of the division.

He said: "Tonbridge will be a difficult game. All the teams will want to knock us off our perch, so we can't afford to be complacent and will have to play very well in order to get the two points."

Dover are going for back-to-back promotions this year and with the form they have been in this season with such a young team, you wouldn't put it past them.

Catt added: "If you had asked me whether

I thought we would be in this position a cou-ple of years ago I wouldn't have believed you. "This year, the lads have worked really hard and they deserve to be in the position

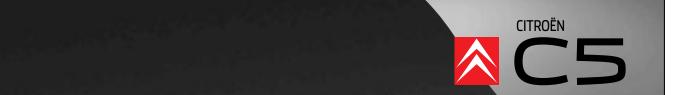
they are in and I am not surprised. The players want to work hard for each other and that is great to see on the pitch."

Dover are just two points behind Gravesend and will hope to earn maximum points against Tonbridge and at home to Lewes the following week, to ensure they stand a chance of winning the title, should the Gees slip up.





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